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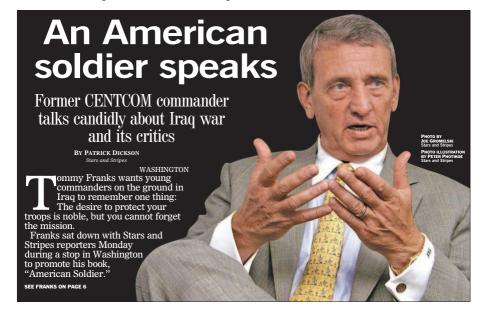
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States

Peterson trial: Scott Peterson's one-time mistress testified Tuesday in Redwood City, Calif., that her first blind date with him culminated in a hotel room tryst, revealing the first de tails of an affair the government says led Peterson to murder his pregnant wife

Prosecutors have spent much of their case trying to establish that Peterson's affair with the massage therapist was his motive for killing his pregnant wife, Laci.

Amber Frey held a black bag in front of her face to block the cameras Tuesday as she was driven into a courthouse parking garage in preparation for her testimony.

Her lawyer, Gloria Allred, said Frey will probably be on the stand for "a considerable amount of time

Hacking charged: The man who con-fessed to shooting his wife in the head and throwing her body in a trash bin stood passive Tuesday as a Salt Lake City judge read the charges against him during an initial court appearance.

Charged first-degree murder, Mark Hacking ap-peared in court on a video feed from the county jail. Wearing an orange jumpsuit and with his hands cuffed behind his back, he uttered just three words. answering "Yeah — ves. sir" when the judge asked him to con-

firm his name

On Monday, prosecutors filed the charges along with court documents detailing Hacking's confession to the slaying, made to his brothers as they visited with him in a psychiatric ward.

Hubble repair: NASA's chief is urging his Hubble Space Telescope team to press ahead with plans for a robotic repair mission to the aging observatory, saying, "Let's go save the Hubble.'

Administrator Sean O'Keefe says he will ask Congress for money to accomplish the job. He estimates it will take about \$1 billion to \$1.6 billion to develop and launch a robot to make the needed upgrades to keep the popular telescope running and to get it out of orbit once its work is through

In a meeting with more than 200 Hubble engineers and scientists at Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., O'Keefe told them he was encouraged by their progress on coming up with a robotic solution, "actually astonished."

World

Japan nuclear accident: A corroded cooling pipe that caused Japan's deadliest nuclear power plant accident had not been inspected since 1996, despite a warning last vear that it was a safety threat, the plant operator said Tuesday

The pipe - which carried boiling water and superheated steam - burst at the Mihama reactor Monday, burning to death at

As a mother of an 18 year old son who just recently signed up to be a US

Marine, I want to express how proud I am of

him and all of you for choosing a profession

that will not only help yourself grown into a



Mideast conflict: The day after an Israeli army operation, Palestinian Abdul Kareem Shaat, 64, walks Tuesday through the rubble of destroyed houses next to Gaza's border with Egypt, in Rafah refugee camp, southern Gaza Strip. More than a dozen houses were demolished by Israeli troops during the one-day operation in an area the army claims is used by militants for smuggling weapons by underground tunnels.

least four workers and injuring seven others, two seriously. No radiation was re-leased, officials said.

The announcement came as dozens of police and nuclear energy officials arrived Tuesday at the plant in Mihama, 200 miles west of Tokyo, to investigate operator Kansai Electric Power on suspicion of negligence resulting in death

Sept. 11 trial: The retrial of the only Sept. 11 terror suspect ever convicted opened Tuesday in Hamburg, Germany, with a U.S. pledge to provide evidence. The suspect's lawyer dismissed the offer and urged the court to drop

the case. The U.S. initiative came at the start of the retrial of Mounir el Motassadeq, a 30-year-old Moroccan charged with aiding the three Hamburg-based suicide hijackers in the Sept. 11 attacks. He denies the

Replying to the Hamburg state court's request for testimony by key al-Oaida operatives in U.S. custody, the State Department said the United States would provide unclassified summaries, apparently of interroga-

Water park roof collapse: A Moscow court on Tuesday awarded \$17,100 to an 8-year-old girl whose parents were killed when the roof of an indoor water park collansed - the first such court award since

the February accident that killed 28 people. Russian news agencies said the Cheryo mushkinsky court ordered European Technology and Service, the manager of the Transvaal water park, to pay moral damages to Yulia Milogorodskaya, who was injured in the incident.

She was among nearly 100 people hurt when the vast concrete and glass roof over the park in Moscow's southern suburbs collansed on Feb. 14.

Bobby Fischer extradition: Former world chess champion Bobby Fischer has an unlikely ally in his battle against U.S. authorities seeking to deport him from Japan -former rival Boris Spassky.

Spassky has written to President Bush asking that he show mercy toward Fischer by not seeking his extradition, according to a copy of the letter faxed to media Tuesday.

Fischer rose to chess stardom by defeat-ing Spassky, formerly of the Soviet Union, in a series of games in 1972 to claim the

world championship. Fischer is wanted by the United States for violating international sanctions by playing a rematch against Spassky in the former Yugoslavia in 1992. Fischer won, collecting more than \$3 million in prize money.

South Africa bird flu: Government teams began culling hundreds of ostriches Tuesday after an outbreak of bird flu forced South Africa to suspend all poultry exports.

The outbreak has killed 6,000 birds since it was first reported three weeks ago. Fifteen farms within a nine-mile radius of the Eastern Cape town of Middleton have been

Animal health experts are testing the ostriches on each farm and shooting any found to be infected with the virus, said Segaoti Mahlangu, spokesman for the Department of Agriculture and Land Affairs.

Stories and photos from The Associated Press

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To P. R. Perez; Thanks for all you do for this nation and for the family. Remember that God and your family are with you at all times. See you soon. All our love, Arlene, Pito, Toots & Chavi

U.S. pounds Najaf with warnings, gunfire

Officials say uprising beginning to interfere with Iraq oil production

BY ABDUL HUSSEIN AL-OBEIDI The Associated Press

NAJAF, Iraq — U.S. tanks pushed into Najaf's vast cemetery-turned-battlefield Tuesday as helicopter gunships fired on Shiite militiamen hiding there. American patrols with loudspeakers went through the city, warning militants to leave or face death

Explosions shook the streets and black smoke rose over parts of Najaf, but the fighting with Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr's Mahdi Army militia appeared more sporadic than in recent days.

A large fire broke out at a hotel about 300 yards from the Imma Ali Shrine, Najar's holiest site, which fighters have reportedly been using as a base. Witnesses said insurgents were firing from inside the hotel and U.S. forces returned fire.

In a new tactic, U.S. military we hicles equipped with loudspeakers drove through the streets warning residents to stay away from the fighting and for militants to put down their weapons and leave. We ask residents to cooperate with the Iraqi army and police," a voice said in Arabic. "There will be no truce or negotiations with terrorists."

Small clashes also broke out in the Baghdad Shiite neighborhood of Sadr City, despite a nighttime curfew imposed Monday.

Mahdi Army militants repeatedly attacked a district council hall, clashing with U.S. and Iraqi forces protecting the building, said U.S. Capt. Brian O'Malley of the 1st Brigade Combat Team.

Groups of three to five fighters have been attacking the building with mortars, gunfire and rocket-propelled grenades "every hour or so" from 7 a.m. to about 5 p.m., he said.

The fighting killed one person and wounded 18, Health Ministry

officials said.

There were no employees there



Followers of rebel Shitte Cleric Muqtada al-Sadr fight during clashes between al-Mahdi army with U.S. and Iraqi forces in the holy city of Najaf, southern Iraq on Tuesday, Millitant Cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, whose Shitte militia has been battling U.S. forces across Iraq, warned that he would fight "until the last drop of my blood has been spilled," in his Irst appearance since the violence began the properties of the prop

during the attacks, and O'Malley said about 14,000 people "haven't been able to go to work since the fighting started" in Sadr City

While U.S. and Iraqi forces were trying to quell the eruption of Shiite violence, attacks by Sunni Muslim militants persisted.

A roadside bomb detonated as a U.S. military vehicle drove on a street in central Baghdad on Tuesday, slightly wounding two soldiers, the military said. On Monday a suicide car bomb targeting a deputy governor killed six people, and a roadside bomb hit a bus, killing four passengers.

Another insurgent group warned in a videotaped message it would launch a campaign of attacks on government offices in Baghdad starting Tuesday, telling employees to stay away.

The sixth day of Shiite violence came after al-Sadr said Monday

that he would fight "until the last drop of my blood has been spilled."

The uprising began to affect Iraq's crucial oil industry, as pumping to the southern port of Basra — the country's main export outlet — was halted because of militant threats to infrastructure, an official with the South Oil Company said.

About 1.8 million barrels per day, or 90 percent of Iraq's exports, move through Basra, and any shutdown in the flow of Iraq's main money earner would badly hamper reconstruction efforts. Iraq's other export line — from the north to Turkey — is already out of operation.

An Iraqi oil official said Tuesday that Iraq had enough oil in storage tanks to continue exporting crude until production returned to normal, possibly within

Such an offensive would almost certainly cause widespread outrage among the nation's Shiite majority and further exacerbate the crisis.

The military official estimated that 360 insurgents were killed between Thursday, when fighting began, and Sunday night, a figure the militants dispute. Five U.S. troops have been killed in the fighting. About 20 police also have been killed, Najaf police chief Brit Ghalib al-Lazari said.

The fighting has shattered a series of delicate truces worked out two months ago that ended the Mahdi Army's first uprising, which broke out in April. During that period, U.S. commanders wowed to "capture or kill" al-Sadr, but later tacitly agreed to let Iraqi authorities deal with the cleric.

U.S. forces were apparently continuing the hands-off policy to-ward al-Sadr. The senior U.S. military officer in Baghdad, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the cleric "is not an objective; we are not actively pursuing him."

But the fighting has complicated the security situation for Prime Minister Ayad Allawi's government as it tried to take a tough stance against the mainly Sunni campaign of attacks, bombings and shootings plaguing Iraq for the past 15 months.

In a sign of the deterioration of the situation in Najaf, the Polish military returned command in the province and neighboring Qadisiyah province to the U.S. Marines. The Poles had received command in the two provinces only 10 days ago.

Mahdi Army militiamen in Baghdad also kidnapped a senior Iraqi policeman, Brig. Raed Mohammed Khudair, who is responsible for all police patrols in eastern Baghdad, said Col. Adnan Abdel Rahman, an Interior Ministry spokesman. In a video broadcast on the pan-Arab network Ad-Jazeera, militants said the government of the property of t

Clashes intensified around the southern city of Basra, where a British soldier was killed and several others wounded in fighting with militia near al-Sadr's office Monday, the British Ministry of Defense said. Three militants were killed and more than 10

were wounded, Iraqi police said.

Much of the fighting in Najaf remained centered on the vast cemetery near the Imam Ali Shrine. The U.S. military said Mahdi Army gummen were launching attacks from the cemetery and the running to take refuge in the shrine compound, one of the holiest sites in Shia Islam.

Najaf Gov. Adnan al-Zarfi gave U.S. forces approval to enter the shrine, a senior U.S. military official said Monday. "We have elected at this point not to conduct operations there, although we are prepared to do so at a moment's notice," the official said.

Saudi escapes

BAGHDAD — A Saudi man held at a U.S. detention camp near the southern city of Umm Qasr escaped, the U.S. military said Tuesday.

The man, identified as Abdullah Salem al-Kahtani, broke out of Camp Bucca on Thursday, said Lt. Col. Barry Johnson from the Office of the Deputy Commanding General for Detainee Operations.

Johnson said the man was not a "high-value detainee," a term the military uses to describe senior ranking former regime officials or militants.

"He is considered a security risk to the Multi-National Forces and the Iraqi government," he

The man is believed to have fled from the camp and crossed the nearby border into Kuwait, according to media reports.

From The Associated Press

U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Pres.

As of Monday, 928 U.S. servicemembers have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 691 died as a result of hostile action and 237 died of nonhostile causes.

The British military has reported 62 deaths; Italy, 18; Spain, eight; Poland, sever, Bulgaria, six; Ukraine, four; Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia and the Netherlands have reported one death each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush Iraq had ended, 790 U.S. servicemembers have died —582 as a result of hostile action and 208 of nonhostile causes, according to the Defense Department.

The latest deaths reported by U.S. Central ommand:

■ No new deaths were reported.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

■ Marine Lance Cpl. Jonathan W. Collins, 19, Crystal Lake, Ill.; killed Sunday in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 2nd Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force; Camp Pendle-

■ Marine Cpl. Roberto Abad, 22, Los Angeles; killed Friday in Najaf province, Iraq; assigned to Battalion Landing Team, 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit, I Marine Expeditionary Force; Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Marine Sgt. Yadir G. Reynoso, 27, Wapato, Wash.; killed Thursday in Najaf province, Iraq; assigned to Battalion Landing Team,

1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit, I Marine Expeditionary Force; Camp Pendleton, Calif.

■ Army Spc. Joshua I. Bunch, 23, Hattiesburg, Miss.; died Friday in Baghdad, when small arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades struck his vehicle; assigned to the 91st Engineer Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division; Fort Hood, Texas.

■ Army Pfc. Raymond J. Faulstich Jr., 24, Leonardtown, Md.; died Thursday in Najaf, Iraq, when small arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades struck his convoy; assigned to the 89th Transportation Company, 6th Transportation Battalion, 7th Transportation Group; Fort Eustis, Va.

■ Army Pfc. David L. Potter, 22, Johnson City, Tenn., died Saturday in Baghdad, of noncombat related injuries; assigned to the 115th Forward Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division; Fort Hood, Texas.

Hostage tapes good for Arab TV ratings

Critics say Al-Arabiya, Al-Jazeera no help during wave of kidnappings

BY PAUL GARWOOD

The Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt - Al-Arabiya TV chief Abdulrahman al-Rashed knows Iraqi militants use his station to get their message to the masses and understands that each time he airs a video of a kidnapped foreigner, terrorists are encouraged to grab others.

At rival station Al-Jazeera, chief editor Ahmed al-Sheikh says he faces the same agonizing dilemma every time militants deliver yet another tape bearing a shivering hostage or a deadly threat.

But both men, like those at many news organizations, say that though it is becoming increasingly difficult to decide whether to report developments like videotapes of hooded gunmen surrounding captive truck drivers, they can't shirk their responsibilities to cover the news and chase advertis-

It is a reality on which militants in Iraq, and recently some militants in the Palestin. ian territories, are capitalizing.

"I am convinced the airing of [militant group] tapes is encouraging more kidnapping, issuing of demands and other examples of this kind," says al-Rashed, general manager of Dubai-based Al-Arabiya, which along with Al-Jazeera TV has been receiving and broadcasting the bulk of the

"We can see it on the ground, but this is the nature of the media and there is little that we can do." he told The Associated

Al-Rashed says his Saudi-owned station checks each tape sent by militants for authenticity and the most relevant, newsworthy segments to consider airing. Like many tanes that end up in his station's hands. many are rhetorical rants from militants providing no hard news. Without images of a kidnapped foreigner, such videos are ignored, he says

But when the tape includes a hostage, beheading or any other "newsworthy" event. parts are aired, even if it might encourage more of the same.

"There is only one condition for me to stop airing all these videotapes, which is that all TV stations in the region agree not to show them," al-Rashed says. "If they agree, I will also.'

"But it is difficult for me to have an empty screen and have people find the news on another station, because ratings play a major role, even though I believe that part of the frequency in the kidnappings has to do with the media publicity these groups are getting.

Al-Sheikh from Al-Jazeera says there was little his station can do but report all the developments in the war in Iraq. The kidnappings are "one of the repercussions of the present state of lawlessness in the country," al-Sheikh said.

Al-Jazeera's coverage in Iraq landed it in hot water over the weekend. Police ordered its employees out of their Baghdad newsroom after the Iraqi government closed its office for 30 days, accusing Al-Jazeera of inciting violence.



Mamoun Fandy, a senior fellow at the James Baker Institute for Public Policy. stands outside his Georgetown apartment on Monday in Washington. Fandy has accused Al-Jazeera and Al-Arabiya of "becoming cheerleaders for terrorism."

"They have been showing a lot of crimes and criminals on TV, and they transfer a bad picture about Iraq and about Iraqis and encourage criminals to increase their activities," Iraqi Interior Minister Falah al-Nagib said. "We want to protect our peo-

Al-Jazeera officials said the closure violated press freedoms

More than 70 foreigners, mainly truck drivers but also diplomats from Iran and

napped in Iraq since coalition forces invaded last year. Many have been taped by cameramen while surrounded by armed men issuing demands interspersed with Koranic verses

In at least three cases, including that of American businessman Nicholas Berg. their beheadings have been recorded with excerpts of the videos being aired around the world

Mamoun Fandy, senior fellow at the Washington-based James Baker Institute for Public Policy, accused Al-Jazeera and Al-Arabiya of "becoming cheerleaders for terrorism," claiming they air videos and faxed statements from militants without "verifying" their sources.

This is not journalism, this is advertising for terrorism. They [the militants] are killing for air time, not for jihad [holy war]. they are killing to appear on Al-Jazeera and Al-Arabiya," says Fandy, who writes on Middle Eastern affairs.

Bob Steele, a journalism values scholar at the Florida-based Poynter Institute for Media Studies, says there was no way to prove media organizations were feeding the increased kidnappings, but added that editors and journalists must take care with

"No doubt militant groups are using the media for certain forms of negotiation, but in times like these I believe that people in the United States and around the world are best served when they have more information rather than less," Steele says

Rami Khouri, executive editor of Lebanon's English-language Daily Star newspaper, cautioned against blaming the media. saving TV stations and news organizations like his would be doing a "disservice" by ignoring the tanes.

Even with Saddam gone, corruption still a problem in Iraq BY RAWYA RAGEH The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Siham Kadhim leaves her gold jewelry at home when she goes to a government office these days; she doesn't want to tempt the clerks looking for more than just an application fee to process her paperwork

"I am afraid they will think I am rich and hike up the bribe, the mother of three said, drinking coffee with friends on a recent af-

As Iraq works to take its first faltering steps toward democracy and transparency, its bureaucra cy has become even more riddled with corruption, dishonesty and favoritism than it was under the previous regime. Much to their dismay, Iraqis

are learning that they still need to push recalcitrant clerks to perform their duties, and that "Ikramiya," an Arabic euphe-mism for bribery, still reigns and is getting worse.

Under Saddam, fear of the government and its many agents planted in every government department, kept some of the cor-ruption in check. The fledgling interim government does not inspire that same fear

"It's been one month now that



Iraqi women on Tuesday crowd the entrance to the Passport Authority in Baghdad. As Iraq works to take its first faltering steps towards democracy and transparency, its bureaucracy has become even more riddled with corruption, dishonesty and favoritism than its was under the previous regime

I've been going back and forth to that office," Umm Ali, 45, sighed, talking about her hours in line trying to get a passport.

Like many Iraqis who rushed to obtain travel documents after years of restrictions under Saddam. Umm Ali was surprised to discover that the weeks-old system was already mired in corruption.

Shady operators offered to

speed her application through the queue for \$200 - a process that should cost her less than \$1.

While I wait in line, these fixers come up to me and say: 'If you want your papers done, just show us the dough," she said. A devout Shiite, Umm Ali — who asked that her nickname be used wants to travel to neighboring Syria to visit a holy shrine with

her husband and daughter.

She said she balked at the fee. Where do I get \$600 from

It's not only the passport authority, Umm Ali's friends chime in, ticking off a list of places they had the same experiences — the electricity company, telecommunications offices, real estate branches, the tax service and banks.

George Sada, a spokesman for interim Iraqi Prime Minister Ayad Allawi, acknowledged there was a problem.

"Yes, there are violations, and it is among our top priorities to handle that," he said, pointing out the government has only been in power for five weeks, and needs

The government's top priority now is to contain the 15-month-old insurgency wracking the country, he said.

Sada hoped a new anti-corruption commission would help eradicate the problem.

The commission, which started in June, investigates complaints dating back from the previous regime. But not many people know about it, including Umm Ali and her friends

"What are they going to do anyway?" asked Amira Ali, banging her coffee cup on the table. "Saddam has sown evil and corruption and now it's harvest time.

borhood was forced to nay nearly \$700 to a phone line repair man before he would even start work-

When Ali went to pay council fees for the building she owns, the tax clerk leaned back in her chair and opened a desk drawer well known sign across the Middle East for requesting a bribe. Ali paid her \$24.

"Even police at a checkpoint the other day let off a reckless driver who had no license or registration because he paid them.

U.S. instructors training new Iraqi police and Iraqi government governments have also expressed concern that new recruits could be bribed.

"There are still some undesirable elements in the police," said Sabah Kadhim, an Interior Minis-try spokesman. "But we need the people's help. We need them to be patient and we need them to report any violations."

Kadhim, the housewife, said she was willing to be patient, but only if the government dealt decisively with the problem.

"I advise the new president [Ghazi] al-Yawer to be firm, like Saddam," she said. "We have so many riches in this country, they just need to allot it in the right way to counter greed.

Poll: High-schoolers predict draft ahead

WASHINGTON - Most U.S. highschool students believe the government will restart the military draft during their lifetimes, and shrinking numbers are optimistic about the country's future, a new noll finds

Among teenagers, 55 percent say young Americans will be required to serve in the military, up from 45 percent last year, according to "The State of Our Nation's Youth," an annual survey by the Horatio an annual survey by the Horatio Alger Association.

During the year between polls - May

ed during attacks in Iraq even after President Bush declared on May 1, 2003, that major combat had ended

Former President Nixon halted the draft in 1973. Pentagon leaders and numerous generals and admirals have said it should not be resumed because the volunteer mili-

is more efficient. Critics including Democratic presiden-tial nominee John Kerry have accused the Pentagon of engaging in a "backdoor draft" to compensate for manpower short-ages in Iraq with wholesale mobilizations National Guard and Reserve units and

In the poll, respondents were asked their views of a mandatory military service re-quirement of two years, and 70 percent of students were opposed.

Still, more young people than not said the United States was right to go to war in Iraq. The poll found 44 percent said the decision was correct, 33 percent said it was wrong, and the rest had no opinion or were

The students' outlook for the country vas dimmer this year, but it remained relatively high, as 68 percent said they were That was down from 75 percent last

they care who wins the presidential race. but two-thirds also said they have not closely followed news reporting about the race

The Horatio Alger Association, which provides college scholarships to needy students, issued its report Tuesday. Results are based on a telephone poll of 1,007 students in grades nine to 12 at the time of the survey, taken May 5 to 7. The students ranged in age from 13 to 19, although most were 15 to 17

The survey has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3.1 percentage points.

Writer went from courier to the Corps

BY FRED ZIMMERMAN

Stars and Strines

CAMP FOSTER, Okinawa --Marine Lance Col. Rebecca Reilly isn't your typical Marine. Most junior Marines are just out of high school, but Reilly traveled many miles - literally - before joining the Corps.

She has seen the world as a bike messenger, writing a book about the business along the way, before becoming a Marine at age 34

Her journey started in 1993 after she graduated from Lake Erie College with a degree in equestrian studies. She said she could've gotten a job working with horses but the pay wasn't enough to cover her bills. And a ioh as a hank teller in Washing. ton, D.C., taught her that working indoors wasn't for her.

"For me to work in an office was like clipping a bird's wings, said the Buffalo, N.Y., native, could've been a secretary but if it's a girl's job, I don't want it."

other retention tactics

So when a bike messenger who often came into the bank told her she should try being a courier, she listened. That advice started a journey that lasted 10 years and took her across the United States for work and around the globe for competitions.

She began her courier career in the nation's capital, where she soon realized bike messengers had their own subculture. After a year and half in the business and after hearing many messengers' stories, she decided to write a book about the business. "Nerves of Steel: Bike Messengers in the United States" was published in August 2000.

"I thought that since I have this crazy lifestyle, I should have something to show for it," Reilly said. "They called me the 'mes-senger for the messengers."

Over the next 10 years, Reilly traveled throughout the country, taking messenger jobs in major cities such as San Francisco, Chicago, New York and Boston, She was somewhat of a pioneer at that time: bike messengers typically stayed in one city. Her purposes were two-fold, she said: gathering material for her book while completing her goal of traveling throughout the States.

Whatever city she worked in Reilly said, bike messengers always were treated poorly, "like a criminal ... always regarded with suspicion." Unlike workers from other delivery services, she said, couriers often are made to go through back entrances to buildings and often must check their bags when entering buildings. Messengers are even prohibited from using the restrooms in many buildings, she said.

Even more difficult for messengers than building managers, Reilly said, was the traffic.

Reilly said that was another reason she wrote the book: She wanted the public to understand what it's like to be a bike messenger. Sometimes, for instance, drivers try to scare riders on purpose, she said, and couriers must defend their lives every day.

"Everyone I know knows someone who has been maimed or killed," said Reilly, who added that New York City is the most dangerous. "You sit there and imagine being crushed in the wheel well of a semi ... it's not a pleasant thought."

Why take the risks?

'If you're willing to do whatever it takes to get the job done, you'll get paid," Reilly said.

And while the everyday job was dangerous, there was time for fun. She competed in the Cycle Messenger World Championships from 1994 to 2000, traveling overseas

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Lance Cpl. Rebecca Reilly

Former bike courier

three of those vears to Barcelona, Spain; Zurich Switzerland: Copenand hagen,

She took top honors two vears in a row as she was named "Fixed Gear Queen" in 1998 and 1999. For work and competition, she rode a bike with only

one gear and no brakes. She still rides the bike on

After eight years of traveling and collecting information, Reilly began writing her book, which took one year to complete. The book was self-published and put her in debt, she said, so it was time to return to the road.

She went back to Washington. where, along with making deliveries and trying to publicize her book, she also was elected president of the local courier associa-

speed when it came to a screech-

nce Cpl. Rebecca Reilly spent 10 years working as a bike messenger and writing a book about the business before joining the U.S. Marine Corps.

ing halt on Sept. 11, 2001. After the terrorist attacks, the bike courier service stopped cold for a week, and became worse when letters filled with anthrax surfaced in the Washington area. Sisters in the Navy and Air Force recommended she sign up. She opted for the Marines.

"If I'm going to go to war, I wanted to be surrounded by the best," she said.

Drill instruc-44 For me to work in tors were extremely tough on her because of her age, she recalled; was 34 when she went to boot camp. But after vears of riding. Reilly said, she was physically ready for the challenge. Reilly, a Ma-

rine now for almost 18 months. has big plans for her future She

hones to one day become an officer and would like to become a linguist, she said. She's now studying 10 different languages and plans to specialize in Chinese.

As for continuing work as an author, Reilly said she has some ideas in the works, "but now I which right now includes Ma-

must be the best Marine I can be" rine Corps Institute courses. There are many books she wants to write, she said, "but now I have MCIs to complete. E-mail Fred Zimmerman at: rimmermanf@pstripes.osd.mil



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STARS STRIPES She said her life was going full

Franks: Candid about book, Iraq

FRANKS, FROM PAGE 1

The former head of the U.S. Central Command and retired Army four-star thinks balance is the key — the U.S. military simply cannot lapse back into a mind-set common in the wake of the 1996 Khobar Tow-ers attack, in which 19 U.S. airmen were killed by truck bombers in a military housing complex in Saudi Arabia.

"There was such a reaction inside the military to that," Franks said Monday, "that pretty soon, we had commanders pay-in' more attention to how to protect the troops - whether they were Army or Air Force or Navy — over in the region, than they were to doin' their jobs.

"I think it would be easy to say that actually, the behavior in Iraq is so fractious right now that the mission is force protection. That would be a mistake.

"I think the balance of, 'How can we protect troops - to go down the road, over the hill, through the village, and do what has to be done' - if we're going to move forward in Iraq, with the need to secure those kids as they're goin' through the village, that's a very, very difficult thing.

"And if I were counseling young commanders about to be on the ground in Iraq, I would tell them to soul-search, and to pay very close attention to their own view of how to balance force protection and accomplishment of the mission in this most dangerous place. Because you have to do

Franks said the continuing instability in Iraq is the inevitable result of quick action that prevented even greater hardships for troops and for the Iraqi people.

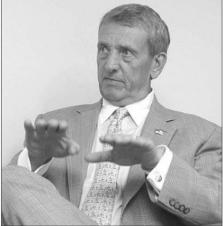
He said that it is impossible to tell, without the benefit of a few years' hindsight whether postwar planning or the sheer enormousness of the task is the reason for the continuing security problems.

"There are people who say, 'Well, if we just had' - as (retired Army Chief of Staff) Gen. [Eric] Shinseki said - 'If we'd just had a quarter of a million people on the ground, we wouldn't have had a problem. That might be right, but I don't know that.

"But I do know this: We would never have gotten a quarter of a million people staged for operation in Iraq and been able to get the job done through major combat as quickly as we did, because the Iraqis would've had at least the chance to destroy their own water infrastructure and flood the south, to destroy their own oil infra-structure, to shoot missiles into Saudi Arabia, into Israel, into Jordan, and so it's very difficult to say, 'Well, ya just shoulda had more people.

But more people seems to be a recurring theme in the Iraq situation. Critics have castigated the Pentagon for calling up high numbers of Guard and Reserves, extending tours for those in Iraq and even calling up troops from the Individual Ready Reserve

Franks said, however, that while extensions are resisted, and when they happen,



Retired U.S. Army Gen. Tommy Franks sat down with Stars and Stripes on Monday and talked about Iraq, the Army's future and the upcoming elections.

Franks easy on Letterman's eyes

Tommy Franks is in the early stages of a 42-day press tour to support his book, which is currently No. 3 on Amazon's bestseller list (updated hourly!)

Asked if she was tired from all the traveling and interviews, Franks' wife, Cathy, said, "This is nowhere near as tiring as a war,

Franks himself is just as upbeat.

"This is great! Isn't this great?" he asked no one in particular.

Franks went on "Late Night with David Letterman" on Friday. Cathy said Letterman was kind and very respectful, but at the very end, Letterman said, "Let me say one thing - we're nearly out of time - but you have beautiful eyes.'

Franks looked as if he was deep in thought for a moment, then burst out laughing. That's life with a best-selling book.

regrettable, even more painful to servicemembers and families would be the feeling that nothing good was coming of it.

"That's a sad thing, but wouldn't it be really sad if we were getting our people hurt and killed, and not accomplishing some-

Franks praised the media's coverage of events in Iraq, citing Abu Ghraib as a particularly embarrassing but crucial story.

"If you're gonna go to war, you get it com-

plete with mistakes. I mean they actually happen, and you see people make mistakes at every level, during military operations. That however ... does not mean that America doesn't have the right to know. Franks held court on a range of topics, in-

cluding Michael Moore's

Franks said he intends to see the film, and said, "I do not believe that commanders should deny their troops the ability to

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Retired Army Gen. Tommy Franks

Franks told The Associated Press that the recent criticism of Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry by former Vietnam compatriots was hyperbole, saving Kerry was "absolutely" qualified to be commander in chief

Kerry told Stripes on Friday that he believed that repairing the Bush administration's "broken relationships" would be key to fighting the war on terror.

Franks acknowledged the importance of diplomacy, but said practical considerations sometimes determine the nation's course of action.

"I believe relationships have been broken, and I guess if I'm notorious for anything, I believe it's the comment where I said: It's multiple choice. Fight 'em over there, or fight 'em here.

"And reporters on several occasions have asked me, 'General, what do vou think about being perceived as a bully? Not only you personally, but what do you think about the United States of America being perceived as a bully?' And I've said, and I'll continue to say, when it comes to protecting my liberty and my grandkids, it works

For a transcript of the conversation with Tommy Franks, go to: www.stripes.com

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Shalikashvili hospitalized with possible brain hemorrhage

The Associated Press

FORT LEWIS, Wash. - Retired Army Gen. John Shalikashvili, the former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff who was taken ill over the weekend suffered a brain hemorrhage, according to a published report Tues-

Shalikashvili, 68, entered Madigan Army Medical Center on Saturday morning and was listed in guarded condition. The family requested that no more information be released, spokesman Mike Meines said Monday. Tuesday morning, the hospital would say only that his condition was unchanged.

The News Tribune of Tacoma for Tuesday's editions quoted friends and hospital officials as saving the cause of his illness was a brain hemorrhage.

Shalikashvili served as chairman of the Joint Chiefs in the Clinton administration from 1993, the year Clinton took office, until September 1997, when he retired from the Army.

Earlier, under the first President Bush, Shalikashvili served as NATO's supreme allied commander and also commander in chief of all U.S. armed forces in Europe. At the end of the first Kurdish relief operation that returned hundreds of thousands of Kurdish refugees to northern

Bill Harrison, a retired lieutenant general, said his friend also was hospitalized about a month ago after suffering a mild stroke Shalikashvili recovered and spoke at the Democratic National Convention on July 28, endorsing John Kerry for president.

In a statement Monday, Kerry called him "a good friend, a trust ed adviser and a great Ameri-

Shalikashvili came to the United States in 1952 from his native Poland. He joined the Army six years later, beginning his rise through the ranks. Shalikashvili and his wife,

Joan, moved to Steilacoom, near the Army base south of Tacoma, in 1998.

Idea to close base schools in U.S. opposed

Educators, military family group cite quality of life, education for keeping system

Stars and Strines

ARLINGTON, Va. - Education and quality of life could suffer for servicemembers' children attending one of 58 stateside schools now run by the U.S. militarythat the Pentagon is studying whether to relinquish control.

"We're very, very concerned about individual civilian school districts' ability to absorb these kids and give them a quality education," said Joyce Raezer, direc-tor of government relations for the National Military Family Association in Alexandria, Va. "A lot of the quality-of-life issues revolve around a school system that understands who you are, understands deployment issues, and is a system that works for the same people who are deploying your

Not all stateside installations have their own schools, and the reason the Department of Defense Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools, or DDESS, system was created after World War II no longer exists, said Joseph Tafoya, director of Department of Defense Education Activity.

The Pentagon started the system because the military desegregated, but many schools in the South had not. And southern school districts typically are poorand historically, students scored lower on standardized tests, "But those reasons no longcent interview. "No longer are they a factor."

Segregation no longer exists but inferior school systems in the South do, and the association fears already-struggling school jurisdictions would fall short of providing educational standards now enjoyed by DDESS students. not to mention the consistent curriculum, Raezer said.

"Segregation isn't a problem any more, or shouldn't be. But it's a big fear that the school won't be able to absorb the students. Where are they going to get the extra funding? How are they going to upgrade schools, buy buses, hire teachers? Where are they going to get the resources?"

Similar themes were raised by Oliver Dalton, superintendent of Chattahoochee County schools outside of Fort Benning, Ga., home of the 3rd Infantry Divi-

As the superintendent of the county's schools - all three of them — his school district would grow from 1,100 students to more than 5,000. He raised the quality-of-life issue, citing as examples a loss of community garnered from being on base and an increase of school bus commute times from an average five to 10 minutes to 35 to 45 minutes.

"As a parent and ex-military. I think it would be unfair to close the system," Dalton said. "It's a good recruiting tool. Parents expect a quality education

School's out ... forever?

Congress has directed the Department of Defense Education Activity, which oversees the public school system for dependents of U.S. personnel around the world, to study the potential closure of such schools in the United States. There are 65 schools on military installations in the States that educate

more than 26,900 students and employ more than 2,500 teachers.



Source: DOD Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools

from their local base, a quality of life in the armed services, and compared to some of the rural counties in Georgia, it's much better for children at the [base] schools. It just wouldn't be fair to those children."

No decision has been made on whether to terminate the DDESS system and turn over those students to local school jurisdictions officials said, adding they would be remiss if they didn't explore the feasibility.

Within DDESS, there are 65 schools on 17 military installations, including Puerto Rico and Cuba, which educate 26,975 students and employ about 2,500 teachers. Up for consideration is trol of the 58 schools on 14 military installations in Georgia, Kentucky New York, North Carolina. South Carolina and Virginia.

In March 2002, Congress directed DODEA, which runs the military's schools both overseas and in the United States, to commission two studies on whether DDESS is financially viable and in the best interest of the military families and students.

Two unreleased studies sit before Pentagon leaders. In one, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers looked at the status of the facilities. The second, by the Donahue Institute of the University of Massachusetts, looked at an array of issues from infrastructure, curricula, the quality of life, standards of learning, state and federal fund-ing and all the educational programs, including special educa-Pentagon officials won't re-

lease the reports until they have been scrutinized and defense and congressional officials have been briefed, said Pentagon spokesman Lt. Col. Joseph Richard. "The [University of Massachusetts] study is currently under review in the Office [of the] Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Military Community and Family Policy

Tafoya said that with the upcoming presidential and Congressional elections, changes likely wouldn't be made until after the new year, he said.

Cover's look gets under her skin

National Geographic calls shot similiar to Army wife's 'sheer coincidence'

BY CHARLIE COON Stars and Stripes

STUTTGART, Germany - A naked woman sat down and leaned forward, and the folds of her body stacked up like flab. She took a picture of herself.

Leslie Cervantes thought it was a fresh way to portray a woman's body. She showed the photos in art exhibits. Then earlier this month, while browsing a magazine rack, Cervantes saw one of her skin-fold photos on the cover of National Geograph

"There's my image — that's all I could think," said Cervantes, wife of Army Sgt. Jose Cervantes of the 52nd Signal Battalion. "I was kind of in disbelief thinking. 'this is so weird.'

But it wasn't Leslie Cervantes' photo The magazine's photo was taken by Karen Kasmauski and used for its August cover story titled "Why Are Americans So Fat?" 'I didn't know what to say," Cervantes said. "I was just thrilled and curious at the same time.

"For this photograph to come out with the same eye almost as mine .

Kasmauski, who has been photographing for National Geographic for 20 years, said the two images were just a coinci-

"Neither my editor nor myself have ever seen an image like the one on the cover, nor have we ever heard of the young photographer you mentioned or seen any imagtimes in the States and once in es by her," Kasmauski said in an e-mailed response to Stars and Stripes, "Unfortusite nately, photos can be similar by sheer coin-

cidence. I have often seen photos that I could have sworn were mine, but weren't." The National Geographic editor who designed the cover, Susan Welchman, said she wanted a photo of someone who was

nude and fat. Welchman said she went through about 10 rolls of Kasmauski's film before settling on the image used for the "The only unusual thing about [the

photo] is that we put it on the cover," Welchman said. "That's what makes it in-

The James F. Byrnes Institute in Stuttgart, which displays American art for Ger-man patrons, showed Cervantes' work in March. Cristina Merenyi, who has been working at the institute for four years, said it took time for her to recognize Cervantes' photos as a human body.

"I was impressed that she dared take pictures of all these folds," Merenyi said. "It was a refreshing way to look at the hody. It was interesting because you really started

Cervantes took the photos of herself in 2000. Actually, her then 1-year-old daughter, Natalia, took the photos, pressing the shutter on a camera that was perched atop a rickety tripod, causing the photos to blur. She said she has displayed them four Stuttgart, as well as on her Web

Jose Cervantes joined the Army in 2001, two years after graduating from the University of Notre Dame. Jose and Leslie, who were high-school sweet hearts in Alvin, Texas, moved to Stuttgart in 2003.

Jose was a little antsy about his wife's nude body being put on photographic display, but said he supported her desire to portray women in a more natu ral way

'She loves the subject matter, and she did ask how I felt about it," he said. "At first I was a little hesitant. Now I'm one of her biggest advocates and was trying to bring people to see her work when she had her show [in Stuttgart]."

Young women face enough ressures growing up, Leslie Cervantes said. Keeping up with billboard and magazine models shouldn't be one of

"It's almost like today it's not good enough just being your-self," she said. "I wanted to push for more of a reality picture instead of something manipulated for women to see.



CHARLIE COON/Stars and Strings

Leslie Cervantes, wife of Army Set. Jose Cervantes of the 52nd Signal Battalion in Stuttgart, Germany, was shocked to see the August cover of National Geographic, which nearly replicates a photo she took four years ago that has been shown at art shows in the United States and Germany.

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Top Army cooks get taste of fine-dining

Stars and Strines

ABENTHEUER, Germany -Before noon, Spc. Luisa Conception adjusts a bandage covering a nick on her left pinky and makes a mental note that the cutlery is sharp enough to lop off a digit

Nearby in the kitchen. Sgt. Scott Graves is taking the mea sure of chef Nikolaj Dickheiwer's tiny tourné-cut carrots which must have seven perfect sides not six, not eight - before Graves can tackle cutting chunks of korabe into quarter moons

By 1 p.m., Graves and Conception have only about 10 more hours of nonstop work on their second day in the kitchen of the Dickheiwer family's La Cachette restaurant, where they're train-ing for a week under Karl-Heinz Dickheiwer, one of Germany's most renowned chefs

Normally, the soldiers would get to take a lunch break, but because La Cachette's masters have stopped so often to discuss technique and recipes with Graves and Conception, there's no time. lavish seven-course meal

must come together by 6 p.m. Believe it or not, 12-hour days in La Cachette's kitchen starting Tuesday and ending Saturday are the soldiers' reward for being two

of the best chefs in the U.S. Army. Graves, a chef at the Any Mis sion Diner - formerly the On Point Diner - at Campbell Barracks in Heidelberg, won senior chef of the year at the 29th annual U.S. Army Culinary Arts Competi-tion. Conception, from the 1-25th Military Intelligence Battalion, Hawaii, won the junior chef title.

Their reward is a week at La Cachette, even bunking down at the restaurant complex. Think of it as a fine-dining boot camp. If you have to go to boot camp. La Cachette ("The Hiding Place") is





PHOTOS BY TERRY BOYD/Stars and Strines

Above left: Sgt. Scott Graves needs the hands of a surgeon and the concentration of a gem cutter to turn red mullet into tiny fillets, part of a seven-course meal at La Cachette restaurant, near Baumholder, Germany. Above right: Spc. Luisa Conception samples a savory fish broth Master Chef Karl-Heinz Dickheiwer was perfecting Tuesday at La Cachette

the way to go - an elegant restaurant in an 18th-century hunting lodge amid the flawless hills, pastures and forests about 18 mile west of H.D. Smith Barracks in Raumholder

And if this is boot camp, think of Karl-Heinz Dickheiwer, a master chef, and son Nikolaj as low-key drill sergeants, pushing Graves and Conception to Conception to achieve something like culinary perfection.

At stake is La Cachette's reputation. It is not an inexpensive proposition to eat the food Graves and Conception are helping prepare: a seven-course meal runs about 60 euros per person, not includ-

During his career, Karl-Heinz Dickheiwer has fed three German chancellors -Helmut Schmidt, Willy Brandt and Helmut Kohl - not to mention movie stars, opera singers, NATO generals and assorted ambassadors.

The standards are high. "It's not easy to learn here," Birgitt Dickheiwer, Karl-Heinz's wife. Nikolai's mother and La Cachette's manager. "You do it the correct way, or you leave. There's no in between

On the second day, there is little doubt both soldiers can back it as they help the Dickheiwers create a seven-course meal that will include mousse made from smoked trout, veal medallions stuffed with goose liver pâté, with everything topped off by a Grand Marnier parfait.

Graves, 30, of Redding, Calif., is practically an Army legend. winning numerous cooking competitions as part of the 12-member U.S. Army Culinary Arts Team. He's already worked with the Dickheiwers as 2002 Army junior chef of the year. He's been cooking since he was a kid, and even ran restaurants before joining the Army four years ago Though anyone from E-1 to O-10 can eat at the Any Mission Diner. Graves agrees it's probably not a coincidence that he works at the

Conception, 21, did not grow up cooking in Michigan. Joining as a 92 Gulf, or cook, she remembers how important food was at her real boot camp, "but I was thinking about filling my stomach."

restaurant where top U.S Army

Europe brass dine

"Believe it or not, growing up, I was a picky eater." she says later "Very picky. But once I started cooking, I saw food from a differ ent perspective."

Now, she's becoming a connoisseur, getting international experimost chefs would kill for. Karl-Heinz and Nikolaj are showing her their secrets - refined over decades of cooking — for combining ingredients for the most flavor and impact. At one point, Karl-Heinz takes Conception aside, cups the savory vapors rising off the huge stove, then breathes deeply: "The smell is the test! If the fragrance is good, that's how the food is going to

Even Graves seems impressed at how much is going on, and how many dishes are coming together simultaneously, with Karl-Heinz and Nikolai somehow remembering exactly what is in each simmering pot, and where six or eight dishes stand in the complex preparation process.

Despite the rarified atmo-sphere, Graves and Conception are adamant that they will take away essential skills that will translate into better food for the soldiers they serve. There are in the final analysis - skills that every cook can master, Graves

"The ability to stay organized; to stay clean," he says. "The abili-ty to fine-tune tastes. Anyway, a fine kitchen is not unlike the Army - a place where the more you accomplish, the more work you get to do.

The last time he was here. Graves recalls on Monday before work starts Karl-Heinz Dickheiu er wouldn't let the Army cooks do anything but concentrate on food preparation. "He didn't even let us do dishes."

Leaning toward him, Birgitt Dickheiwer smiles and says, "Well, this time maybe we'll let vou do dishes!"

Stripes' reporting recognized

Stars and Stripes is being recognized by a military reporting organiza-tion for distinguished reporting in its 2004 military journalism contest. Stripes' "Ground Truth" series, published over seven days, was written from a survey of nearly 2,000 servicemembers and dozens of interviews to assess the conditions and morale of troops in Iraq.

The winner in the category, print overseas reporting, circulation less than 100,000, was James Kitfield, National Journal, who was embedded with the 3rd Infantry Division during the taking of Baghdad.

Military Reporters and Editors (MRE) recognizes outstanding military and national defense coverage by print and broadcast journalists in large and small markets.

Sailors rescue mariners in Persian Gulf

USS Seattle sailors rescued the crew of a sinking ship Sunday night in the northern Persian Gulf. The master of an Indonesia-flagged cargo ship, the Edha II, made a

distress call after the ship began taking on water, according to a 5th Fleet news release. Seattle sailors rescued four crewmembers by heliconter off the

cargo ship's deck before it sank and retrieved eight more from a life raft in the water. All 12 crewmembers made it safely aboard the Norfolk, Va.-based Seattle, where they received medical treatment. The Seattle deployed to the Persian Gulf on June 7.

U.S. employee falls dead in barracks dining hall

MANNHEIM, Germany - A civilian employee of the 293rd Base Support Battalion's directorate of logistics was pronounced dead Monday after collapsing in the Spinelli Barracks dining facility. A German physician at the scene pronounced the employee dead, ac-cording to a 293rd BSB news release.

The name of the employee is being withheld pending notification of

next of kin. The cause of death is being investigated by German authorities in cooperation with the U.S. Army's military police.

From staff reports

New book to help Navy chiefs

BY SCOTT SCHONAUER Stare and Strings

NAVAL STATION ROTA, Spain - The Navy has a new book to help chief petty officers.

The "Chief Petty Officer's Guide" was written to

serve as the venerable reference book that every chief will want on his or her bookshelf.

Author Jack Leaby and former Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy John Hagan wrote the 600-page book, which includes everything from uniform regulations to the history and lore of the chief. "It really is a book written by

chiefs for chiefs," said Leahy, a Navy veteran who also wrote, "Ask the Chief: Backbone of the Navy

The guide took three years to write, develop and research with the help of dozens of chiefs from around the fleet. The authors went aboard four ships, including the aircraft carrier USS George Washington, to research and get input

Naval Institute Press published the book, which goes on sale this week as chief selectees go through the initiation tradition. It will be available at many Navy Exchange bookstores by the

The "Chief Petty Officer's Guide" is designed to

Manual," which has helped enlisted sailors on Navy basics for decades 'When I was [Master Chief Petty Officer of the

Navy], I lamented that we didn't have a repository for CPO-specific references and issues and this has the potential to be that," said Hagan,

who served 33 years in the Navy, including six years as the Navy's top master chief from 1992 to 1998.

The book focuses on four major skills, or what the Navy calls the Chief's Core Competencies: leading, communicating, supporting and de-

The first part serves more like a textbook, while the later portions of the book are designed to be a reference guide. Leahy said.

The final chapter zeroes in on the history of the chief petty officer and includes stories on some of the Medal of Honor recipients who were chiefs.

Hagan said he plans to continually update the guidebook so it is relevant to future chiefs.

"A hundred years from now I'd like to see a CPO guidebook that has the history and the credibility and respect of the Bluejacket's Manual," he said. "I think we're in the first stages of us getting there.'

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The West Berlin, Germa

Belle" is seen destroyed

following a bomb attack

the day before in this

April 6, 1986, photo.

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IN THE WORLD

Libya to compensate for 1986 bombing

BY TONY CZUCZKA The Associated Press

BERLIN — Libya agreed Tuesday to pay \$35 million in compensation for non-U.S. victims of a 1986 Berlin bombing that killed two U.S. soldiers and a Turkish woman and injured 229 other people.

It was the latest effort by Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi to shake off his country's pariah status, after recently settling much larger claims for the Lockerbie and UTA airliner bombing cases.

"It is a step forward for the relations of Libya to Germany and the European Union," Ambassador Said Abdulaati told Associated Press Television News.

After Tuesday's deal was announced, the German government said improved relations were now possible with Libya and that Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder will visit the North African nation soon, though no date was set.

The German government and companies are ready to help Libya modernize its economy, a government statement said, pointing to "the intensification of bilateral relations that has now become possible."

Germany also said it favors developing "a new quality" in relations between Libya and the entire European Union.

The deal applies to some 160 non-American victims of the April 5, 1986, attack on the La Belle disco, including Germans who were wounded or suffered psychological damage and the family of the slain Turkish woman

Lawyers are seeking separate compensation in U.S. courts for American victims of the disco attack.

A formal signing ceremony was scheduled for Sept. 3 in Tripoli, Libya, lawyers said. The deal came in negotiations in Berlin between officials of a Libyan foundation run by Gabhaff's son and lawyers for non-U.S. German victims of the disco bomb. Abdulaati made plain that Libya was not acknowledging guilt with Tuesday's agree-

ent. "We see this as a humanitarian gesture."



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When Libya accepted responsibility last year for the 1988 Pan Am bombing over Lockerbie, Scotland, that killed 270 people, it agreed to pay \$2.7 billion in compensa-

tion to the victims' families.

On Jan. 9, Libya signed a \$170 million compensation agreement with families of victims of a 1989 French UTA passenger

Bomb attacks hit Istanbul hotels; 2 dead, 11 wounded

By JAMES C. HELICKE

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Bombs exploded simultaneously at two small hotels Tuesday, killing two people and wounding 11 in an attack that Turkey's interior minister said might be the work of Kurdish separatists.

One of the hotels was only a few miles from where the U.S. Olympic men's basketball team is staying during the final stop of its pre-Olympic tour. The team decided to proceed with an exhibition game Tuesday night against Turkey's national team, U.S. team spokesman Brian McIntyre aid.

Two more explosions caused damage but no casualties at a liquefied petroleum gas plant on the outskirts of Istanbul, and Interior Minister Abdulkadir Aksu said police were investigating to determine whether they were linked to the hotel blasts.

Aksu said Kurdish rebels could be responsible for the hotel attacks, but added that police were also investigating other possibilities. Islamic and leftist extremists have staged attacks previously in Turkey.

One group, Abu Hafs al-Masri Brigades, which is named for an al-Qaida commander killed in Afghamstan, claimed responsibility for Tuesday's attack in a posting on a Web site known for publishing messages from Islamic militants. "Istanbul is the opening for the bloody war we promised the Europeans," the statement said.

It was not possible to check the authenticity of the claim.

Western experts have questioned the credibility of the group, noting it has previously claimed to be behind events for which it clearly didn't play a role, such as power failures in North America and Britain.

A senior Turkish police official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Turkish authorities had no information to suggest any links to al-Qaida and said police suspected involvement by Kurdish rebels.

Another police official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity, said that explosives used in Tuesday's attacks were similar to those used in a July car bombing in eastern Van province that killed three people and wounded two dozen others. The attack was blamed on Kurdish militants, who denied involvement.

The explosions came only hours after the arrest of four Kurdish militants in the city, officials noted. Private NTV television said the militants were preparing rge-scale attacks in Istanbul. Aksu said the captured Kurdi-

Aksu said ne captured Kuruish militants were responsible for a series of attacks in the southeast, including an assassination attempt on the governor of Tunceli province last year.

"Explosive devices and guns were seized along with these four people. Every link is being investigated. It could be the same group," Aksu said.

The other bombing was at the Star Holiday Hotel, just a few hundred yards from the Byzantine former church Saint Sophia and the Sultanahmet, also known as the Blue Mosque.

Messages of Support

THANK YOU! We support you 100%. God Speed. Our prayers are constantly covering you. We commend your fearless fight for our freedom. THANK YOU! Ed & Julie Shrake

Capt. N. P. Krump, This message is to sending greetings to you from your Krump family. We all love you and worry about you. You can expect to receive many packages of baby wipes. Stay safe. Alisa, Mike, Marty, Jeffrey, Amy, Teresa, John, Dave, Phil, Sally, Janet, and all your cousins

From those who served in places we never were and did what never happened, we salute you. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

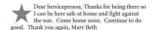
We are with you every step of the way. Thank you for our freedom and God bless!

Having just beat cancer, I got through tough times with loving support from family & friends. I taped these words to my mirror to look at daily: I am alive, I am loved, I am strong! May you find comfort in these words as well. I. Dunn. Stamford. VT



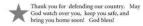
To all our military personnel, Just a short but sincere note of thanks for everything you are doing for the protection of our country.

Hi Agustin, This is Tony's big sister sending you greetings and prayers for your safety and for your unit. I haven't seen you in a long time, but I still remember you coming by the house to hang out with Tony. Just letting you know, my family is praying for you.



I have no one in my family fighting the war for us but my heart pours out to everyone that God will watch over all of them and bring them home safe to their families soon. Thank you, Fran Dawson





Arrest leak allowed terror suspects' escape

By MUNIR AHMAD

The Associated Press

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — The disclosure to reporters of the arrest of an al-Qaida computer expert allowed several wanted suspects from Osama bin Laden's terror network to escape, government and security officials said Tuesday.

Muhammad Nasaem Noor Khan, a Muhammad Nasaem Noor Khan, a Reyae-old Pakistani computer engineer, was nabbed in a July 13 raid in the eastern city of Lahore. He then led Pakistani authorities to a key al-Qaida figure and cooperated secretly by sending e-mails to terrorists so investigators could trace their lo-

cations.

His arrest was first reported in American newspapers on Aug. 2 after it was disclosed to reporters by U.S. officials in Washington. Later, the Pakistan government also confirmed his capture but gave

no other details.

Two senior Pakistani officials said the re-

Pakistan says al-Qaida figures scattered after informant was ID'd

ports in "Western media" enabled othe al-Qaida suspects to get away.

"Let me say that this intelligence leak jeopardized our plan and some al-Qaida suspects ran away," one of the officials

said on condition of anonymity.

National Security Adviser Condoleczza
Rice acknowledged Sunday that Khan's
name had been disclosed to reporters
in Washington "on background," meaning
that it could be published, but the information could not be attributed by name to the
official who had revealed it.

The Pakistani officials said that after Khan's arrest, other al-Qaida suspects abruptly changed their hide-outs and moved to unknown places.

The first official described the publication of the news of Khan's arrest as "very disturbing."

"We have checked. No Pakistani official made this intelligence leak." he said.

Without naming any country, he said it was the responsibility of "coalition partners" to examine how a foreign journalist was able to have an access to the "classi-

fied information" about Khan's arrest.

The official refused to comment whether any U.S. official was responsible for the leak.

On Monday, Sen. Charles E. Schumer, D-N.Y., asked the White House to explain why the name of Khan was revealed. The disclosure on Aug. 1 came as the Bush administration was defending its decision to warn about possible attacks against U.S. financial buildings in New York, Washington and Newark, N.J.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan cautioned Monday that information may be more limited about future raids against al-Qaida suspects.

againta de Quita sispect to Ahmed Khalfan Challan — Trantian with a \$25 million American bounty on his head for his suspected involvement in the 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in east Africa — and the capture of about 20 other al-Quida suspects. The arrests also prompted a series of raids in Britain and uncovered past al-Quida surveillance in the United States. A Pakistan security official, who also spoke on the condition of anonynity, some al-Quida suspects after Khan's arrest, the country's security agencies were chasting them and would eventually get them.

WHO plans rapid response to face-wasting disease

BY SAM CAGE

GENEVA — A rapid U.N. response to an outbreak of a facial disfiguring parasitic disease in Afghanistan should bring the epidemic under control within two years, the U.N.'s World Health Organization said Tuesday.

The disease, cutaneous leishmaniasis, usually affects the skin and can cause serious disability and permanent scarring. It's transmitted by the bites of tiny sand flies.

The disease has been dubbed

"Baghdad Boil" by U.S. soldiers serving in Iraq. About 150 U.S. soldiers have been infected there.

Afghanistan's capital, Kabul, is now the largest center of cutaneous leishmaniasis in the world, with an estimated 67,500 cases out of the country's total 200,000 cases.

The disease leads to disfigurement, usually of the face and hands, and social stigma, particularly for women and children, WHO said.

Effective control programs once existed in Afghanistan, but 20 years of war have destroyed much of the country's health-care infrastructure, WHO noted.

Environmental damage and poor sanitary conditions have encouraged sand flies to breed and the large numbers of returning refugees — many of whom have little immunity to leishmaniasis — are particularly susceptible.

"We must act now if we are going to have any chance of controlling the situation," said Dr. Philippe Desjeux, who is in charge of the global health agency's leishmaniasis control pro-

The health agency and its part-

ners, working with a \$245,000 donation from the Belgian government, are not only treating the disease, but also trying to prevent further transmission.

"This is a unique opportunity to stop a debilitating disease in its tracks, and make gains in a country where people so deserve to see improvements in their

health," Desjeux added.

The initiative includes drugs and the distribution of insecticide-treated bed nets, which will help to protect almost 30,000 people during the peak transmission season in September and Octo-

Wedding cannibalism

MANILA, Philippines — Four members of a family have been arrested and charged with murder for allegedly killing and eating a relative during a wedding reception — and serving his flesh to unwitting party guests, police said Tuesdav.

At the July 17 wedding of his daughter, Eladio Baule got angry with his cousin, Benjie Ganay, who tripped and accidentally touched the bride's bottom, said Senior Police Inspector Perla Bacuel, at Narra town in Palawan province, southwest of Manila.

A few hours later, Baule, his son Gerald, another cousin Junnie Buyot and a nephew, Sabtuari Pique, allegedly confronted Ganay, then drove him to a secluded place where they stabbed him to death, Bacuel said.

U.S. embassy closed

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka — The U.S. Embassy in Sri Lanka was closed and staff was evacuated Tuesday after it received mail containing a suspicious powder, officials

He said he did not know when the embassy would re-

open.
Minutes after the embassy was shut, the nearly building which houses USAID, the embassy's publicity division and the American public library were also shut down indefinite-

Mexico fake drugs

MEXICO CITY — Mexican authorities are investigating the sale of fake or substandard medicine in a border town so popular among Americans seeking cheap medications that it has more pharmacies than streets.

U.S. officials said at least one pharmacy sold useless tablets labeled as Zocor, a cholesterol drug, to an American citizen in Algodones, a hamlet with 10 streets and 22 drug stores across the border from Yuma Ariz

From The Associated Press

Nazi graffiti scrawled on French tombstones

The Associated Press

LYON, France — Vandals scrawled anti-Semitic graffiti on dozens of tombstones in Lyon overnight, authorities said Tuesday, the third time a Jewish cemetery has been desecrated this year.

Swastikas and inscriptions with

Adolf Hitler's name were painted on headstones in de la Mouche cemetery in this southern French city, the same burial site that was desecrated by skinheads in 1992. Richard Wertenschlag, Lyon's

chief rabbi, told France Info radio that the vandalism was an affront to the Jewish community and to France's values.

"How is it that after the Holo-

caust, someone can still attack Jews — even those who are dead — for the simple reason that they are Jews?" he said.

The vandalized graves were at the back of the cemetery, a distance from the guardian's house, and among its oldest tombs. A monument to Jewish World War II soldiers also was covered with graffiti, the French Veterans Affairs Ministry said. The crime drew the swift condemnation of the French government.

"The perpetrators of this out-

rage are being actively pursued," President Jacques Chirac said in a letter to Marcel Dreyfus, a local Jewish leader in Lyon. "They will be punished to the maximum extent the law allows."

In the Czech Republic, dozens of tombstones were found toppled at a Jewish cemetery in the eastern of town Hranice, police said Tuesday.

Spokeswoman Michaela Sedlackova said that some 80 tombstones were overturned in the cemetery in the town 187 miles east of Prague. She said it was not clear when the incident happened. The cemetery dates to the 17th century. Sigmund Freud's brother, Julius, was buried there in 1858.

In France in May, swastikas and other anti-Semitic graffiti were scrawled on 127 headstones at a Jewish cemetery in the Alsatian town of Herrlisheim. And last month, vandals painted swastikas and Satanic symbols on 3 tombstones at a Jewish cemetery



A police officer and a municipal employee look at swastikas painted on headstones in de la Mouche cemetery Tuesday in Lyon, central France. Vandals painted dozens of tombstones with anti-Semitic graffiti, the third time a Jewish cemetery has been desecrated this year.

in Saverne, also in Alsace. Muslim and Christian cemeteries also have been vandalized.

Despite a series of government measures, anti-Semitic violence has increased in recent years in France, coinciding with rising tensions between Israelis and Palestinians. Authorities have blamed young French Muslims for some of the violence. A recent report by the French Interior Ministry found 510 anti-Jewish acts or threats in the first six months of the year, compared with 593 for all of 2003.

Two suspects confessed to scrawling Nazi graffiti in May on a memorial in northeast France to honor Jewish soldiers who died in the Battle of Verdun in World War I.

IN THE STATES

Bush taps Rep. Porter Goss to head CIA

BY TERENCE HUNT The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Bush on Tuesday nominated Rep. Porter Goss of Florida to head the CIA amid terror and tumult, saying the former undercover operative "knows the CIA inside and out" and can bolster its spy network

"He is well prepared for this mission," the president said of Goss, chairman of the House intelligence committee who was an Army intelligence operative be-fore joining the CIA the 1960s. "He's the right man to lead and support the agency at this critical moment in our nation's history."

Goss, whose nomination must be confirmed by the Senate, had been mentioned prominently in speculation about a successor to departed CIA Director George Tenet who left amid a torrent of criticism of the agency's handling of prewar intelligence on Iraq.

Bush still has a major decision ahead of him. He has embraced a cornerstone recommendation by the commission investigating the Sent 11 2001 terror attacks: creation of a new intelligence czar to oversee the activities of the CIA and more than a dozen other intelligence agencies. Bush has not named the czar

House Democratic leaders

called on the president Tuesday to summon Congress back from its summer recess to immediately go to work on legislation implementing the commission's recom-

But Bush has said that idea does not appeal to him

"I think every American knows the importance of getting the best possible intelligence we can get to our decision-makers," Goss, 65, said during Tuesday morning's Rose Garden announcement.

Bush's Democratic challenger, Sen. John Kerry, neither endorsed nor opposed Goss, saying in a statement that "we must have fair, bipartisan and expeditious confirmations hearings

"This is a key position in fighting the war on terror and should not be left vacant," Kerry said. "The most important thing we can do right now is reform and strengthen our intelligence services as the 9/11 Commission has recommended. I hope that Congressman Goss shares this view and will now support creation of this important post."

White House press secretary Scott McClellan would not rule out Goss being picked as intelli-gence czar, if Congress creates that position, and would not say if Goss was a leading candidate.

Bush invited Goss for dinner at the White House Monday evening



President Bush speaks in the Rose Garden on Tuesday along with Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla., left, after he picked Goss, head of the House intelligence committee, to be the new director of the CIA.

and formally offered him the job. McClellan said.

If the president names an intelligence czar, his CIA chief would lose some power in the reshuffling and essentially would be required to report to the new head of all intelligence operations.

Neither Bush nor Goss discussed the new organization, and the CIA had no comment Tuesday

on Bush's appointment. The president said Goss will advise him on how to implement the Sept. 11 nanel's recommendations

Both men stressed that Goss' experience as an undercover CIA officer would help the agency bolster its ability to use spies, instead of just technology, to infiltrate ter-rorist networks. "The essence of our intelligence capability is people," the Florida Republican said.

Commission: Security czar won't step on military's toes

BY LARRY MARGASAK

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Leaders of the Sept. 11 commission told the Pentagon and its congressional backers Tuesday that creation of a national intelligence director would not jeopardize military operations.

Chairman Thomas Kean and Vice Chairman Lee Hamilton, appearing before a House military panel, said their pronosal would include a ton Pentagon official as a deputy to the new director "to satisfy the needs of the warfighter and the national policy-maker."

"It is unimaginable to us that the national intelligence director would not give protection of our forces deployed in the field a high priority," the two said in a joint statement. Kean and Hamilton each read half the statement to the House Armed Services Com-

Vegas authorities allegedly gambled with public safety

BY JOHN SOLOMON

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - When the Justice Department obtained two videos suggesting terrorists had cased Las Vegas casinos, the discussions didn't center on public alerts or heightened security.

Rather, authorities worried about the effects on tourism and the casinos' legal liabilities, internal memos show.

One of the tapes, found in Spain in 2002, shows al-Qaida's European operatives casing Las Vegas ca-sinos in 1997, engaging in casual conversation that included an apparent reference to Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, the mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States

The other tape found in a Detroit terror cell's apartment had eerily similar footage of the MGM Grand, Excalibur and New York, New York casinos - three hotels within a short distance of each other on the Las Vegas strip with a combined total of

Though the FBI offered, most local law enforcement and casino security officers declined an invita-tion to view the footage after it was obtained in 2002, according to the memos and one of the prosecutors in the Detroit case

One document obtained by The Associated Press quotes a federal prosecutor in Las Vegas as saying the city's mayor was concerned about the "deleterious effect on the Las Vegas tourism industry" if the evidence became public. The mayor said Monday he was never told of the footage.

Another memo states the casinos didn't want to see the footage for fear it would make them more likely to be held liable in civil court if an attack oc-



Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman said Monday he has "zero" information about videotaped scenes of Las Vegas found at the apartment of Detroit terror

"The information, unfortunately, was not taken as seriously as we believed it to have been." Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard Convertino told AP in an interview, recounting how only two local police officers accepted the FBI agent's offer to see the tape. 'The reason that he [the FBI agent] was given for

the low turnout was because of liability, that if they heard this information they would have to act on it It was extraordinarily unacceptable and absolutely outrageous." Convertino said.

Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman said Monday he was never told about the tapes until learning about them from AP this week, "If I were told, I would certainly tell the public." Goodman said.

Meanwhile, in New York City, the Transportation Security Administration is taking over security checks of passengers and baggage at city heliports following warnings that al-Qaida had considered using tourist helicopters as bombs.

FBI sting involving mosque leaders stirs Pakistani objections

By KIRSTAN CONLEY The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. - Pakistan is protesting an FBI sting operation in which two leaders of an Albany mosque were accused of participating in a plot to assassinate the country's ambassador to the United Nations.

plot. An FRI informant who said he was an arms dealer asked the two suspects to launder money for profit from the sale of a shoulder-fired missile that would be used to kill the diplomat in New York City, according to the federal complaint.

Pakistan's Foreign Ministry spokesman Masood Khan condemned the FBI sting operation, saying it was bizarre and danger-

"This has increased our ambassador's and our mission's vulnerability ... and could have endangered the life of our ambassador," Khan said in a statement. He said Pakistan had filed a protest with the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad.

A 19-count indictment, unsealed Monday, charges Yassin Muhiddin Aref, 34, and Mohammed Mosharref Hossain, 49, with conspiring to launder money and vide details about allegations they are tied to an extremist group linked to al-Qaida.

Aref's lawyer, Terry Kindlon, said the entire case is based on government fabrication. "The facts of this case exist in the imag-ination of the government," he

A detention hearing was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon.

The indictment chronicles exchanges of money that authorities allege was for the fictitious missile sale. It claims that in a Feb. 12 meeting, the men believed the attack would take place the following week

Authorities said the men were paid \$50,000 and Hossain was to disguise the source of the money by writing checks back to the in-formant from his businesses. which include rental properties.

Both men have been jailed since Thursday when federal agents conducted pre-dawn raids at their homes and the Masjid As-Salam storefront mosque in Albany. Prosecutors opposed bail, saying both men posed a flight risk and the plot involved vio-

Aref is the imam of the mosque and Hossain is one of its founders



Spectators watch Lights of Freedom at the Trump Taj Mahal in Atlantic City, N.J., last year. Donald Trump's casino businesses are being restructured under a bankruptcy protection plan that would strip Trump of his majority stake

Trump casinos to restructure under bankruptcy protection

BY JOHN CURRAN The Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. - You could call it Trump: The Art of the (Bankruptcy Restructuring) Deal. Donald Trump's casino busi-

nesses, which have failed to share in his highly publicized successes in other realms in recent years, are being restructured under a bankruptcy protection plan that would strip The Donald of his maiority stake

Under the plan, announced late Monday, Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts plans to enter Chapter 11 bankruptcy next month, emerging within a year

DLJ Merchant Banking Partners, an arm of Credit Suisse First Boston, and Trump would invest

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\$400 million to help the company pay down its \$1.8 billion in debt

and cut interest payments in half.

Trump, the chairman, chief executive and largest shareholder, would see his stake in the compa-ny shrink from 56 percent to 25 percent, with Credit Suisse owning more than two-thirds of the company.

Trump himself would contribute nearly \$71 million, \$55 million of which would be in the form of a co-investment with Credit Suisse and \$15.9 million of which would come from his Trump Casino Holdings notes. Trump would also give up trademark rights to his

name and likeness for use in connection with casino operations. The plan has been endorsed by some Trump bondholders, but oth-

ers still must agree to it "The reality is that it's bitter medicine: You don't want to take

it, and it's not pleasant at the time but in the end, you get healthy. said Frank Fantini, publisher of the Gaming Morning Report, a casino industry newsletter.

"In the end, that's what's hap-pening here. If you're a sharehold-, you'll own a smaller share but it'll be a profitable company, which is better than owning a piece of a nonprofitable compa-ny," Fantini said.

Lawyers group: U.S. must reform detainee treatment

BY GINA HOLLAND The Associated Press

ATLANTA - The Rush administration has botched the treatment of foreign detainees and hurt America's image, the nation's lawyers largest group said. The attorneys alleged that American abuses breed terrorists.

The American Bar Association, which ended its summer meeting in Atlanta on Tuesday, criticized the government for what it called "a widespread pattern of abusive detention methods."

Those abuses, it said, "feed terrorism by painting the United States as an arrogant nation above the law."

The resolution passed Monday responds to abuse of Iraqis at Abu Ghraib prison near Baghdad and misgivings about the treatment of about 600 terrorism suspects being held at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba

It urges the government to ensure no other detainees are subjected to inhumane treatment Some lawyers complained that the nonpartisan group, with more than 400,000 members, was getting too political, especially considering the proximity of November's presidential election.

David Rivkin Jr., a Washington attorney who served in the Reagan and first Bush administrations, told ABA leaders the resolution was poorly worded and "could be dismissed as grandstanding

The Bush administration has

aggressively defended its imprisonment of men without traditional rights, whom it classifies as enemy combatants. Government officials have said abuses at overseas prisons have been isolated and those responsible are being punished.

ABA's policy-making board was to take up other matters Tuesday.

During the debate on detainee treatment, Washington attorney Mark Agrast said, "If we want the world to embrace American idea als, we first must live up to those ideals ourselves.

"I don't think it's the least bit political," said Neal Sonnett, a Miami attorney who helped draft the plan. "We used strong language because it's deserved. We need to get the administration's attention and the public's atten-

Prisoners at Abu Ghraib were interrogated for as long as 20 hours at a time kent hooded and naked, intimidated with dogs and forcibly shaved.

Administration officials have said other treatment of prisoners there was unauthorized, such as forcing prisoners to perform sex acts, beating them and piling them in a naked human pyramid

Also Monday, the ABA's poli-cy-making board meeting in Atlanta voted to lobby Congress and states to eliminate mandatory minimum sentences. Federal and many state laws set minimum terms for numerous

First lady defends Bush's stance on funding of stem cell research

BY RON FOURNIER The Associated Press

LANGHORNE, Pa. - First lady Laura Bush, defending her husband's policy on embryonic stem cell research, accused proponents of overstating the potential for medical breakthroughs and said it is "ridicufor John Kerry to claim the president has banned the research.

"We don't even know that stem cell research will provide cures for anything - much less that it's very close" to yielding major advances, she said Monday. Her remarks came on the third anniversary of Bush's decision to limit federal funding of embryonic stem cell research to the 78 stem cell lines in existence on Aug. 9, 2001. On the campaign trail, Sen. John McCain. R-Ariz.

Bush's rival for the 2000 Republican presidential nomination, was tagging along Tuesday as the president visited the Florida Panhandle where voters historically have elected Republicans or moderate Democrats. Polls suggest Bush and Democrat John Kerry are

tied overall right now in Florida and the both men are blitzing the state with advertising.

Meanwhile, responding to President Bush's question with several of his own, Kerry said Monday in Grand Canvon, Ariz., that he would have voted to authorize the war in Iraq knowing what he does now, but added that he would have used the power more effec-tively than the current commander in chief. The Democratic presidential



nominee said he hoped to begin reducing the number of U.S. forces in Iraq within six months of taking office if he is elected "It is an appropriate goal to have," he said, but added that achieving it would depend on broader international assis-tance, better stability within Iraq and other related factors. Kerry also is an advocate of stem cell research.

Religious groups oppose the scientific work in which culling of stem cells kill the embryos, equating that with abortion. They did not want Bush to be the first president

to fund the research - even with limits Proponents, including former first lady Nancy Reagan and 58 Democrats and Republicans in the Sen-ate, argue the research could lead to cures to diseases such as diabetes and Alzheimer's. Former President Reagan suffered from the latter for a decade before his death June 5 due to related pneumonia.

Election could hinge on provisional ballots

BY ERICA WERNER The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Tens of thousands of Americans will vote in November using a special kind of ballot that must be counted by hand, potentially leaving the out-come of the presidential election in doubt as elections officials argue over each vote. Sound familiar? Although it

might stir memories of hanging and pregnant chads from the 2000 election, the "provisional ballot" is a new national voting requirement meant to ensure no voter is turned away. For the first time, provisional ballots will be available at precincts nationwide for those who can't find their names listed at the polls.

Yet, just three months before what looks to be another extremely close presidential election, states don't agree about how to count these ballots. Some localities are worried they won't have time to tally them, and voting rights advocates fear many won't he counted at all

"They do have the potential to be the chad of 2004," said Doug Chapin, director of the Election Reform Information Project, a nonpartisan group that studies

basically ascertain the validity of a ballot, ballot by ballot, you open ourself up to the same kind of high-stakes politicization of the process we saw in Florida in

The Help America Vote Act of 2002 mandated provisional bal-The idea was to prevent proper-

ly registered voters from being turned away from the polls because of clerical errors with regis-tration lists or other problems. Civil rights groups estimate that happened to 1.5 million or more ers in 2000.

Under the new law, anyone who claims to be registered in the jurisdiction where they try to vote but whose name is not listed must be given a provisional ballot. If the voter's registration informa-tion is verified later, the ballot is included in the total for the elec-

No one knows how many provi-sional ballots will be cast in November, in part because only about half the states allowed such ballots or something similar in 2000. It easily will be tens of thousands nationwide. In Los Angeles County alone, 44,000 were cast in the March primary.

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Knowing service's meaning

Sitting here so far from home, I realize that everything I had was more than enough. Why did I and so many others want more out of life?

We are in arms against an invisible force, a force that took us from our families and our lives that we took for granted. One day we may come to the conclusion that we don't need anything more than what we already have.

I am one soldier in the middle of this large conflict; I am away from my family and friends. I may never make a big im-pact here, but I will always make an impact in the lives of those I work with and

These words may mean nothing, or do they? Am I the only one to have these thoughts or do they explain the thoughts of every soldier here? We all come from different backgrounds but believe in the same things. None of us knows exactly why we are here nor do we understand

I am a good soldier and do as I am told. I will defend, fight and, if I must, die for my country. I didn't know why so many years ago I raised my right hand and said I will, but I do now. To me it may not be right, but I have a job to do and I will do it to the best of my ability.

Spc. Micah Cockman Baghdad

Irag is better off

The French supported the U.N. resolutions leading up to Resolution 1441, while going behind the back of the rest of the world and buying oil and selling Saddam Hussein arms! Of course they wouldn't support us going into Iraq and of course they would try to derail our efforts wouldn't any criminal faced with being exposed?

President Bush demonstrated outstanding leadership by standing firm and not letting any other country dictate our foreign policy. Every major country agreed Saddam had stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction. That would be British intelligence, Russian intelligence, Chinese intelligence. Israeli intelligence, the CIA and, yes, even French intelligence.

Something of this nature would crush our economy and be devastating on U.S. soil, making 9/11 look like a walk in the park.

I am a Black Hawk pilot stationed in Iraq and I was here last year for the ground war. The fact is, this country is better off this year than last, and will be even better off next year. Iraq is hardly a flop as liberal media would have you believe.

The people complaining the loudest are those who have sacrificed the least, "Hollywood liberals." I encourage every one to do some research of their own. Know the facts, not the rhetoric, and never forget the cost of freedom and the price of inaction __9/11

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Travis Montgomery

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Kerry undeserving

I am a Republican and from Texas. One other thing might be of interest: I'm a Vietnam vet, with two Purple Hearts and the Silver Star. I am very proud of all of my awards for combat and I still have mine

Unlike John Kerry, I spent months in the hospital recuperating from my wounds. I didn't throw my medals over the fence at the White House, nor did I ever call any of the guys I fought next to "baby killer" or falsely accuse them of committing atrocities against a "passive" people. I lost friends and people I didn't even know and I respect their memories and the sacrifices they made equally. Kerry couldn't lead Jane Fonda. Funny

she didn't speak at the Democration National Convention. Wonder why?

Kerry says that jobs in America have been lost to other countries through President Bush's policies and inept leadership. Wasn't it a Democratic president who signed the North American Free Trade Agreement, allowing millions of jobs to go south? I know of no Republican presidential

candidate or senator who ever threw away the medals given him by the United States.

When I returned from Vietnam my fa-ther, a retired Air Force colonel with medals from World War II, was impressed and proud of his youngest son. He looked me straight in the eye, tapped the Purple Heart and said. "That's one I was glad I never got."

Kerry doesn't deserve it and I wonder if the other medals he has were really earned or deserved.

Lane R Ramsdell

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Before you buy a plasma TV ... Seems as if every day that I visit the

Power Zone I see soldiers returning from downrange purchasing those new flat-screen plasma televisions. Without fail. I try to talk them into waiting until they return stateside to buy them.

The reason is simple: If they ship the televisions through the government during a permanent change of station move, and the television breaks, the maximum amount that the government will reimburse them is \$1.500.

So, before spending \$3,000 or \$4,000, please be advised that you are basically throwing money down the drain.

I have spoken with several managers from the Power Zone asking that they place a sign warning clients, but I guess cash rules when it comes to the Army and Air Force Exchange Service. Here is a portion of what the European

claims headquarters has to say: "Plasma type televisions use novel mate-

rials and technology to project a higher quality image than ordinary televisions. They are only a few inches thick and often have large screens." "USARCS has set a limit of \$1,500 per

item on these televisions. They are difficult to ship without damage, as they are sensitive to changes in temperature and altitude, can be damaged by shock or impact, and will break irreparably if not kept upright at all times. Most models cannot be sent through the APO mail because the television and its proper packaging weigh over 200 lbs. Information is the best protection for sol-

Stephen P. Malone Kaiserslautern, Germany

Salute to the troops

During the years I was privileged to serve in the military, around Thanksgiving or Christmas the commander in chief. the secretary of defense and our chief of staff would publish a letter of appreciation to the military for the job they did. Somehow or other that letter, printed in the base newspaper, just never seemed all that personal. However, we were sure the letters of praise and appreciation were more than just the obligatory requirements of command to console the troops.

My hope is the men and women of our armed forces know that America does support them and that all veterans and retirees truly understand the sacrifice the active-duty, Guard and Reserve forces are making on our behalf. To those who have lost a loved one.

please accept our heartfelt condolences and gratitude for their sacrifice. Thank you to the spouses who serve as

both mother and father when the military member is deployed. Thanks to the children who persevere, even though it is so hard for them to understand why Mom or Dad is thousands of miles away when they need them most. It is never enough, but thank you for

your patriotism, the sacrifices you make and the freedom you allow us to enjoy. Freedom has always been, and will remain, in the hands of our military - I

wouldn't want it anywhere else. Terry D. Stevens

San Antonio

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Doonesbury Flashbacks









OPINION

Cold War model is history for terror war ...

he publication of the 9/11 commission's report provides an opportunity to reflect not just on the lack of preparedness for the history-altering terrorist attacks but also on the realities of the post-Cold War world

The nearly 600-page report from the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States paints a disturbing picture of a government largely unprepared for the suicide assaults on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. But what it points to in the future is even more chilling. The report reminds us that Osama bin Laden and his fellow extremists are cold-blooded fanatics and that no negotiations, compromise or appeasement will placate them.

The 9/11 commission report will he debated and dissected for some time to come, helping us to better understand the vast challenges we face. Perhaps it, along with the daily news from Baghdad, will at last pour cold water on the assumption that we are in another fledgling Cold War-like struggle. The not about deterrence, containment or chesslike moves on a global board

Historical analogies are instruc-tive. Munich and Vietnam still hold lessons about appeasement and protracted conflicts in peripheral areas. The battle against Islamic fundamentalist terrorism is not another Cold War, however. Yes, it will drag on for decades, like the Cold War, and resemble aspects similar to the Soviet standoff. Public diplomacy - how America spreads its message of hope, democracy and tolerance to the world — will certainly be rekindled. Our anti-terrorism struggle will necessitate alliances and occasional cooperation with unsavory all aspects of the former East-West rivalry — but it is not analogous

The doctrine of pre-emption, of striking before being attacked, is a fundamentally different concept than the Cold War restraint and is here to stay no matter who wins the presidential election in Novem-

With American civilians and soldiers dying by jihadi bullets and war, not the old, icy standoff with

Although the degree of pre-emptive attack should be weighed soberly, terrorism cannot be prevented by defensive measures. No White House occupant can simply react to events. Nuclear and biological weapons in terrorist hands can kill far too many people for a reactive posture: iihad upends the former challenge-and-response formula. A glacially paced strategic response born of Cold War thinking will not cool the fires of iihad.

We may not engage in another ambitious Iraq war or even an Afghanistan intervention. America has already scaled down to smaller pre-emptive actions from these two major counterterrorism ven-

The United States is opening bare-bones bases from which to launch pre-emptive attacks. Special Forces teams have been deployed in a globe-spanning belt stretching from Latin America and the Philippines through Central Asia, East Africa, and the Maghreb (Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia) to train local forces to battle terror.



Future strategies to nip terrorist plots in the bud might include surgical airstrikes, cloak-and-dagger onerations. and

smash-and-dash commando raids to take out nuclear facilities or eliminate terrorist camps. The old Cold War business as usual is over and so should be the analogous Thomas H. Henriksen is a senior fellow

at the Hoover Institution, a Stanford, Calif.-based think tank.

... so any U.S. plans to aid Mideast reform fit well

BY NEIL HICKS

NEW YORK eformers in the Middle East are caught in a tight bind. On principle, they oppose the highhandedness of U.S. policy in the region But they have to admit it's had some positive effects

Not only has President Bush gotten rid of Saddam Hussein, the region's most brutal dictator, but his relentless promotion of democracy in the Middle East has also turned up the heat on other regional autocrats and jump-started the reform debate. These days, no Arab government can afford to simply quash increasingly persistent and wide-spread demands for reform.

Ibrahim Eissa, a young Egyptian satirical novelist, was one of the first to have broken what is almost a public taboo in Egypt and the Arab world: He spoke well of Bush at a conference on reform in the Middle East Eissa was willing to state a truth that few liberals in the West or in the Arab world will acknowledge: "Every Arab government is hoping for the defeat of George Bush." Authoritarian Arab leaders, he noted, would love to see a return to the pre-9/11 days when the United States turned a blind eve to the undemocratic practices of its regional allies.

But failing that, governments are having to pay heed to reformers. Take the case of Egypt. After decades of simply dismissing calls by nongovernmental organizations for change in government policies, President Hosni Mubarak in March addressed a major conference on Arab reform convened by the Bibliotheca Alexandrina in Alexandria. His speech was not revolutionary, but he did em brace reform as long as it was not in response to foreign pressure and was at a pace suited to Egypt. Since Alexandria, there has been a flurry of conferences on reform in the Arab world, including a summit meeting of the Arab League. All have endorsed change, though with varying time lines.

Some, like the more cautious agenda pro posed in the Alexandria conference's declaration, emphasize that political reform "should not be at the expense of pressing regional issues," such as the Palestinian cause

that change can be postponed indefinitely on the pretext that there are other more pressing issues to attend to. But not all the conferences have taken such a guarded stand. The Doha Declaration for Democracy and Re-form issued in June states boldly: "Hiding behind the necessity to resolve the Palestin an question before implementing political reform is obstructive and unacceptable.'

At a conference held in June in Cairo, activists went so far as to reject "rule by a royal family" and spoke of the need to shake off "50 years of dictatorship." They called for an end to the Mubarak regime when the president's current term ends next year and for a very different kind of presidency to follow. They laid responsibility for the region's problems firmly at the feet of "authoritarian regimes which led in turn to the emergence of extremists and fanatics.

Some of the credit for the shift must go to Bush. Since Sept. 11, Middle Eastern heads of state have found that a visit to Washington can be a bit unsettling - nothing like the back-slapping affairs that used to take place during the Cold War. Ever since President Anwar Sadat signed the Camp David accords in 1978, the Egyptian head of state has

made an annual pilgrimage to the White House, where he has been greeted warmly. But this year, Bush wanted to talk about more than the nearly \$2 billion in aid the U.S. provides Egypt. He warned Mubarak that Egypt's ability to deliver on promises of reform was a national security concern of the United States

And when Tunisian President Zine el Abidine ben Ali called on Bush in February, he received a public dressing-down for his lack of initiative on democracy and human rights. "I look forward to talking to you about the need to have a press corps that is vibrant and free, as well as an open political process. There's a lot we can talk about," Bush told ben Ali in front of reporters.

Despite the faults one might find with the Bush administration's policy toward the region ... the president deserves credit for having broken through the permafrost of entrenched authoritarian Arab governments. He has gotten their attention. Of course, he alone cannot be credited with this achievement, as each country is also responding to internal dynamics. But it is hard to deny that Bush's insistence on reform has contributed to what Mohamed Fayeq, the secretary-general of the Arab Organization for Human Rights, referred to as a "historic juncture."

are as yet small green shoots of hope in what remains stony soil for reform. Having helped to create a crack in the oppressive ed ifice of the Egyptian state and elsewhere in the Middle East, there are limits to what the United States and the West can do to promote further change. ... Naturally, the major responsibility for shaping Egypt's future rests with the Egyptians. Nevertheless, the experience of the last few years has shown that what the U.S. president says about freedom and human rights makes a difference.

For this reason, reformers in the Arab world are watching the U.S. presidential elections unusually closely. In a speech in November, Bush noted how "60 years of Western nations excusing and accommodat-ing the lack of freedom in the Middle East did nothing to make us safe — because in the long run, stability cannot be purchased at the expense of liberty." Arab reformers are hoping that, whoever wins in November, the United States will continue to make clear to authoritarian governments in the Middle East that repression is no longer an acceptable way to govern.

Neil Hicks is director of international programs for Human Rights First. This column first appeared in the Los Angeles Times.

Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



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Young pimp charged

CA SAN FRANCISCO – A 21-year-old San Francisco man, who admitted charges of pimping for a 14-year-old female prostitute for seven months faces a three-year prison term, authorities said.

Dominic Ruiz pleaded guilty earlier this week after a 41-year-old man who had sex with the 14-year-old agreed to testify against Ruiz.

The 41-year-old had wavered on testifying, briefly recanting his story. He was prosecuted for statutory rape and then agreed to testify against Ruiz at trial as part of a nlea hargain.

Marijuana found in truck

DOUGLAS — Border Patrol agents found nearly

Operators of a video surveillance camera saw a pickup drive across the border just east of the Douglas airport, according to an agency news release.

Responding agents found a second truck stuck in the mud about a half-mile north of the border. That truck's driver was able to run back to Mexico and the first truck drove back across the border, but agents found 50 bundles of marijuana weighing 1,361 pounds in the sto-

Dirty laundry saves a life

CLEARWATER — A pile of dirty clothes may have saved Beauty Harvey's life last week

Because of a recent hospital stay, Harvey hadn't been able to do her laundry as she usually does. So instead of sitting on her front porch as usual Thursday afternoon, she was inside washing clothes.

That's when a speeding 1981 Crown Victoria veered off the road, mowed down a street sign and mailbox, snapped a utility pole and smashed into Harvey's front porch.

The white plastic chair Harvey usually sits in was crushed under the car

Police say they plan to charge the driver with reckless driving.

Summer school advantage

NY NEW YORK — Nearly 1.200 public school students took advantage of summer special education services, which were offered for the first time during summer break this year, the Department of Education said

The students represented fewer than 10 percent of the 14,000 children who were eligible for the services, which included counseling, physical therapy, and speech thera-

The summer program was intended for students who did not receive recommended special education services during the school year because of a national shortage of special education providers. the department said in a news release issued Thursday.

Students who took part in the program went to 22 summer school sites to receive up to two

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hours per week of the special education services they needed.

One size now fits all

ME PORTLAND — Everyone who has been hospitalized or has undergone an outpatient procedure knows - and probably loathes - the skimpy, ill-fitting hospital gown

Maine Medical Center finally decided to do something about it upon discovering that Muslim women accustomed to being fully covered were skipping appointments to avoid the immodest garments.

The redesigned hospital gown made available to all Maine Medical natients six weeks ago leaves them fully covered.

"This is a great example of a challenge raised by a specific community that can ultimately benefit all patients," said Dana Farris Gaya, manager of interpreter and cross-cultural services

Not so lucky leprechaun

LAS VEGAS — The luck of the Irish is over for Mr

O'Lucky. The 34-foot leprechaun who once symbolized good fortune to millions of Fremont Street visitors

is no more

On Friday, an early morning fire



Try handling this

George Tippin demonstrates how to throw a tomahawk near his crafts stand during Old Lincoln Days in Lincoln, N.M. Tippin also gives lessons on how to properly throw a tomahawk to those who visit his stand

gutted the casino icon's Fiberglas body and charred his smiling face as he lay retired in the Neon Muse um boneyard.

Mr. O'Lucky had been a fixture outside Fitzgerald's Casino since the 1980s, welcoming visitors with a grin and a hat-waving arm. The statue came down and landed in the boneyard a few years ago when a canopy above Fremont Street was erected

Fire investigators are not sure what started Friday's fire, but museum officials said Mr. O'Lucky's roomy belly was a popular spot for homeless people seeking shelter.

More protection for owls

GRANTS PASS - The government must provide for the recovery of the northern spotted owl, not just its survival, when considering how much logging can be allowed in old growth forests designated as critical habitat, a federal appeals court ruled.

The ruling by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco was the third since 2001 to find that the standard that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service uses to measure the harm caused by government projects within critical habitat for threatened and endangered species goes against the will of Congress in enacting the Endangered Species Act.

Similar rulings were made three years ago by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans in a case involving the gulf sturgeon, and this week by a U.S. District Court in California in a case involving the desert tortoise.

Video poker arrest

HOOKSETT — A woman was arrested in connection with an amateur poker parlor after police seized nine video gambling machines at her equipment rental business.

Dorothy Close, 51, of Hooksett, was charged with one count of gambling, a misdemeanor. She was convicted of an identical charge 12 vears ago.

Police raided Close Rental on Sunday. Close would not comment on the charge

Bad chili lawsuit

FORT WORTH - A Fort TX Worth discount grocer has agreed to pay \$2.85 million to set-tle a lawsuit filed by six people who were hospitalized for botulism after eating the store's tainted chili

The plaintiffs were among eight people who ate the chili at a church concert in 2001 and became sick enough to be hospitalized

A lawsuit against the Fort Worth-based chili distributor Ben E. Keith, is pending. Town Talk Foods, meanwhile, is suing Keith and the chili manufacturer. First Original Texas Chili Co., to recoup money it paid in the settlement and other damages

"Town Talk Foods recognized its own liability as a seller of the food and willingly paid its fair share, Carl Mallory, an attorney for some of the plaintiffs in the settlement, said in Saturday's editions of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. The plaintiffs are members of three families from Sanger.



Beach queens

Bernice Oliver of Central Lake. Mich., left, and other Northern Michigan Beach Queens dance their way along River Street during the

49th Harbor Days Grande Parade in Elk Rapids, Mich.

A crowd guides a 90-foot American Unflagging support flag as it is raised during opening nies at the 32nd annual Falmouth Road Race in Falmouth. Mass.



Singers Natalie Dessay, center, who plays Getting vocal Amina, and Shalva Mukeria, left, who plays Elvino, sing during a dress rehearsal of "La Sonnambula" at the Santa Fe Opera in Santa Fe. N.M.



 $Sky-high \ \ love \qquad \ \ \, \text{Two Red Baron Squadron bi-planes form a heart with their smoke during the 2004 Chevrolet Cup at Seafair in Seattle.}$



Ponderous moment

Kaylee Fox, 9, of Richwood, Ohio, rests her head on her arms as she sits near the Scioto River waiting patiently for a bite while fishing at the 19th Annual Prospect Carp Derby in Prospect, Ohio.



Head over heels

Alaris Todar uses a friend for support while practicing what they called "acro-balance" at a park in Fairfield, lowa.



Spit-tacular launch Molly-Kate Casey, 6, spits a watermelon seed 5 feet, 3 inches during a seed-spitting contest at the DeLeon Peach and Melon Festival in DeLeon, Texas.

Explosive fire

BROWNSVILLE — Explosives seized and detonated by South Texas law officers started a fire that burned for six hours before it could be extinguished.

The blaze burned more than 100 in South Brownsville after the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and McAllen and Brownsville police triggered the blast at the Brownsville Police Department's training facilities.

Burning debris that landed in a field started the brush fire, Brownsville police Lt. James Paschall said.

Firefighters from Los Fresnos and the U.S. Forestry Division battled the blaze with more than 11,000 gallons of water, Brownsville Assistant Fire Chief David Hinojosa said.

Illegal turtle sales

MYRTLE BEACH — Myrtle Beach might want to consider a name change — to Turtle

This resort community has the dubious distinction of ranking up there with New York City's Chinatown as the largest source of illegal turtles sold on the East Coast, according to turtle rescue grouns.

The reptiles can be found in the souvenir shops, alongside T-shirts and suntan lotion.

Some stores keep hundreds of turtle hatchlings in fish aquariums, then sell them when they're about the size of a half dollar. A turtle in a small container goes for \$10 to \$25.

Prison uniforms issued

SPRINGFIELD — Inmates at the Southern Vermont Correctional Facility are the first in the state to be issued uniforms.

Now, rather than an assortment of jeans, T-shirts, shorts and shoes, the inmates wear heavy-duty, dark blue scrubs such as might be worn by nurses or doctors.

Prison officials collected inmates' regular clothing and either stored it for court dates and the inmate's eventual release or sent it to their families.

Along with the switch from what guards call "civilian clothes," the prison also made an effort to rid the prison of contraband

prison also made an effort to rid the prison of contraband.

So as the cells were searched and uniforms issued, all inmates were confined to their cell block

Fake bank box thieves

AR EUREKA SPRINGS — Police in Arkansas and Missouri say someone has discovered a deceptively easy way to steal money with the help of their vic-

The thieves apparently install a false box over bank night depositories and watch while unsuspecting

customers drop in cash.

Officers say the ruse has been used in Eureka Springs and Branson. Mo.

Eureka Springs Police Chief Early Hyatt said the customers were bamboozled. Hyatt said security camera videotape shows two men in a Ford Escort station wagon with no license plate pulling up to a bank over the weekend, removing the box from the vehicle and approaching the depository.

He said five customers, most depositing cash from local businesses, made drops while the crooks apparently watched from nearby.

Cash in on new casino

RI WEST WARWICK — The financier of a proposed casino in West Warwick has offered the town \$15 million yearly, according to a draft agreement presented to town officials last week.

The draft shows that Harralis Entertainment would pay West Warwick \$13 million in the first year, \$14 million in the second, and \$15 million in the second, and \$15 million in the third and every year thereafter. The more would come from 2 percent of the casino's adjusted gambling revenues, plus commercial property taxes it would pay the town, according to the draft agreement obtained by The Providence Journal from Mark Fleury, the one councilman to vote against the casino

Illegal immigrant radar

PHOENIX — Radar surveillance technology is being tested along the Arizona-Mexico border to detect illegal immigrants.

The system was developed under a contract with the Air Force by Scottsdale-based Sensor Technologies and Systems Inc. It's being tested for 12 to 18 months, STS President Walker Butler said.

The company has been doing trials in southwestern Arizona for several months and plans to add a site in southeastern Arizona within the next several weeks, he said.

Testing of the technology is another component of the Arizona Border Control Initiative — an effort to add more agents and better technology to deter illegal entries.

Overdue overtime pay

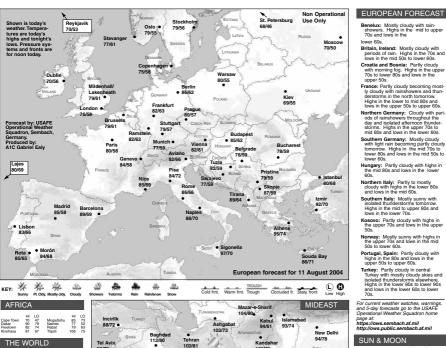
VIA VIRGINIA BEACH — Virginia Beach administrators are handing out checks totaling nearly \$250,000 to middle and high school employees who supervised extracurricular activities but did not receive overtime pay.

The 1938 federal Fair Labor Standards Act requires that employees earn 150 percent of their regular wage for each hour they work more than 40 hours a week. The law allows workers to recoup up to three years' back pay.

When a Chesapeake custodian filed a class-action lawsuit this summer alleging she was owed \$8,000 in overtime dating to 2001, she caught the attention of school administrators across the state.

Now, after months of reviewing back records, Virginia Beach is setting with coaches, some of whom will receive thousands of dollars in back pay. While a majority of the money will pay for athletic coaches, some will also repay sponsors of nonathletic extra-curricular activities, such as yearbook or language club advisers.

Stories and photos from wire services



EUROPEAN FORECAST

Benelux: Mostly cloudy with rain-showers. Highs in the mid to upper

Britain, Ireland: Mostly cloudy with periods of rain. Highs in the 70s and lows in the mid 50s to lower 60s.

Croatia and Bosnia: Partly cloudy

with morning fog. Highs in the upper 70s to lower 80s and lows in the upper 50s. France: Partly cloudy becoming mostly cloudy with rainshowers and thun-

Northern Germany: Cloudy with peri-

ods of rainshowers throughout the day and isolated afternoon thunder-storms. Highs in the upper 70s to mid 80s and lows in the lower 60s. Southern Germany: Mostly cloudy

Hungary: Partly cloudy with highs in the mid 80s and lows in the lower

Southern Italy: Mostly sunny with isolated thunderstorms tomorrow.

Kosovo: Partly cloudy with highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper

Norway: Mostly sunny with highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 50s to lower 60s.

Portugal, Spain: Partly cloudy with highs in the 80s and lows in the upper 50s to upper 60s.

Turkey: Partly cloudy in central Turkey with mostly cloudy skies and isolated thunderstorms elsewhere. Highs in the lower 80s to lower 90s and lows in the lower 60s to lower

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BY KELLEY L. CARTER

Knight Ridder/Tribune

rian McKnight has changed That freshly scrubbed performer who delivered the sadly romantic classic "One Last Cry" from his self-titled effort in 1992 is gone.

For the most part, anyway,

Back then, the soulful crooner who made women cry, smile and swoon all at the same time was a married father He hadn't experienced some of the roughness of adult life, so he wasn't able to write about it - only imitate it. The singer-songwriter listened to old soul records, got the gist of the lyrics, repackaged it, put a new name to it and earned millions of fans

For three albums, that was his formula.

Then he grew up. And the day-to-day turbulence that often turns sweet-faced young people into real adults hapnened

"I look at life much differently with much less innocent eyes," says McKnight, who married his college sweetheart at age 20. "I pulled from all the great sad love songs. There was nothing new under the sun. I'd say the first three albums were more or less imaginations. These last four have been all experience.

And what an experience it's been.

Now 35, McKnight says he'll never really talk about what's going on in his world. He'll write about it. And the writing lately has been provocative.

In the past, he's weaved romantic tales and stories of heartache inside beautifully scored ballads. As lovely as most of his tunes have been, there's always been a pang of sadness to them, a story of wanting and needing and loving. And they've resonated well with his mostly female audience - he's sold more than 15 million albums worldwide

But life is different for McKnight, who's been divorced for three years and isn't sure he'll ever marry again.

" 'U-Turn' was a record that I wrote just after getting divorced. This next record is the record that I'm making now that I've been single. And you can definitely tell. I got to the end of this record and said 'I don't have one sad song

on this, now I have to write one," he says, laughing. "It just seems very heavily weighted the other way and not necessarily about love. It's more about sex.'

On the upcoming album, "Gemini Part I," he sings a song about how he is trying to convince a fan to, um, get down in the dressing room before a show. (McKnight swears that one is not a true story, by the way.)

"Before, I had to have that image because I was married. That's the way that I was," he says. "My children are older and I don't have to be as much the role model that I needed to be before. I think that people have to police their own children. Some of the language and subject matter has changed. But the music is the same. Don't get me wrong. I haven't turned into a gangsta ranner or anything. But expletives are used for emphasis," McKnight said.

"We've played this show in arenas. We've played this show in jazz clubs and it works either way. When I first started out, I thought I could just get up there and play the music and that would be great," McKnight says. "But I learned that people want you to tell the stories and look at them and bring them into your space. Once I figured that out, these shows have been crazy."

Musicians join up to unseat Bush

John Mellencamp has joined a coalition of musicians trying to unseat President Bush, but the rocker says that doesn't mean he has anything against

Republicans. "If there was a Democrat in the

White House, and this was going on, we'd still be doing this," Mellencamp told The Herald-Times of Blooming-"This is a protest. It's a protest about the abuse of what we feel are

American values. And in this case it just so happens that, yes, this is a Republican president, and yes, the proceeds will go to efforts to defeat that Republican president." Mellencamp has joined Bruce Springsteen, the Dixie

Chicks and other musicians in an series of October concerts aimed at defeating President Bush's re-election A July fund-raiser that raised \$7.5 million for John Ker-

ry's presidential campaign included Mellencamp performing "Texas Bandito," which refers to Bush as "a cheap thug

Singer will ship mic next time

The next time Brian Teasley gets on a plane, he promises he'll ship his custom-made microphone. That same device shut down five gates at Dallas Fort Worth-International Airport last week

Teasley, a member of Dallas-based pop-rock band Poly phonic Spree, had been in Austin where the group taped an episode of "Austin City Limits." He was taking a flight to his home in Birmingham, Ala., on Thursday.

When his suitcase didn't show up on the baggage carousel in Birmingham, he filled out the missing-luggage paperwork and went home. He didn't know the suitcase wasn't there because it was under scrutiny at the Texas airport. A terminal area and several gates were closed briefly after a routine baggage screening detected the device, which raised concerns because of the wires and threading caps running through it.

Rhode Island hosts top film festival

Rhode Island may be the nation's smallest state, but it's gearing up to host New England's

largest film festival, with entries by actors Andrew McCarthy and Zach Braff. The six-day Rhode Island Interna-

tional Film Festival kicks off Tuesday, and will feature 265 films from across the United States and over 60 countries. Organizers expect about 20,000 people to attend McCarthy, of "Pretty in Pink"

fame, is making his directorial debut



at the festival, and Braff, who plays a doctor on NBC's 'Scrubs," is receiving an award

George Marshall, executive director and chief executive of the festival, said the event attracts a lot of filmmakers because it's the only one in New England where a film can qualify for an Academy Award.

Hathaway surprised by new audience

Anne Hathaway has been surprised by the range of fans won over by her 2001 hit "The Princess Diaries." While the story of an awkward teen

transformed into royalty appealed heavily to young girls and their moms, male crowds also liked it, Hathaway said from Los Angeles. Even businessmen.

"The movie showed on planes it seems like forever," Hathaway said in an interview last week

"Businessmen in particular got to see it that way, which is not the typical audience for the film," Hathaway said. "But they would come up to me and say, 'I saw your movie on an air-

Hathaway and co-star Julie Andrews reprise their roles in "Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement," which opens this week

Photos and stories from The Associated Press

Horoscope

By now, you're starting to notice a change in the atmosphere. All events seem to be converging to give you one message — pay attention! With Virgo's precision affecting so many areas of life, one detail that's askew could produce a drastically different result. Countierant Mercury's retrograde by double-checking looks and you have a virgo and the produce and the countierant Mercury's retrograde by double-checking looks and you have a virgo.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (August 11). You are in

touch with your deeper motivations this year and therefore are better able to create a world that truly satisfies your needs. People who are attracted to you this fall (and there are more than you know what to do with) are fantastic additions to your life. You may be swept into romance in November. Love signs are Gemini and Canner.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're not usually one to care about

the approval of others, but today is an exception. You are much better off admitting that it matters. Authority figures will give you the respect you crave.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

Temptation is all around, and you're especially vulnerable to it. You are not what you wear, drive or own, regardless of what impresses your friends. Financial independence is more important than showing social status.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Nothing is out of your league — go for it! Others may resent it when you receive preferential treatment this afternoon, but what can you do? Re-evaluate old relationships. You'll find you can be more accepting and forgiving.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

Look at the practical aspects of your budget, and see what you can barter for and what you'll have to borrow to get. Your inventive mind comes up with a real doozy of a solution.

Loved ones make your night special.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Though you zip through the morning, you

may feel increasingly out of balance as the day passes. Make an effort to do one physical activity (this you should do every day), and also set aside an hour for quiet thoughts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).
The details get in the way of your overall satisfaction with a project. Time away from

One way to ensure your happiness is to put your focus on spiritual

your happiness is to put your focus on spiritual values and daily service to others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). An idea is ripe and ready to present, but cover yourself by applying for copyrights or

patents if necessary.
When goodwill comes full circle, accept your due. Leisure is good for your heart and your productivity.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Plans are helped along by creative innovation. What sounds like criticism is not meant to belittle you.

Family members pressure you to spend time with them, which would be annoying if you weren't so flattered.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21). Add new goals to your list, and begin practical planning, but don't jump in all at once. The research stage is the most important and will take almost as long as the application of what you learned.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Remaining flexible will be key now when so much is changing around you. Your emotional attachment to material possessions makes a transition difficult; get better perspective about what is truly impor-

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There is much that you need from your support group now, but try not to expect the superhuman from partners and friends. Instead, concentrate on the factors you have

centrate on the factors you have complete control over. Tests go exceedingly well.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).
Romance could be with someone who seems like your opposite. Turn down invitations that have nothing to do with your immediate goals. Temptations are plentful, but your willpower is turned.

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Peanuts





















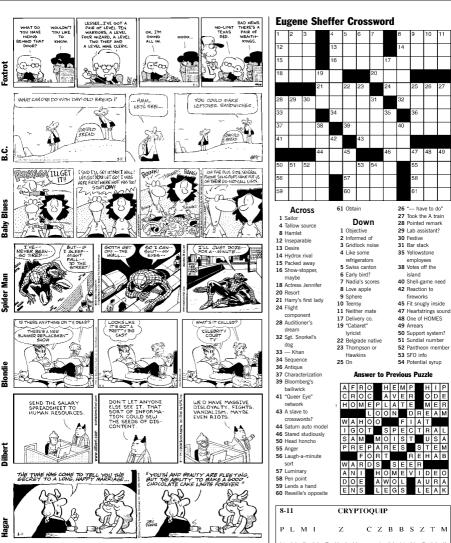


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F L Z F 'R Z P M G G S I T A Q Z I G . Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF YOU DIDN'T KNOW THE LOCATION OF A SHOPPER, COULD YOU ASK "BILYER BE WILDED!" BUYER BE WHERE?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Q equals L

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

Don't be too hasty to tie the knot JUMB

Dear Abby: I am 16 and my boyfriend, "Johnny," is 17. He will be going on a religious

mission in two years. Johnny has proposed to me

and wants us to be married in his church. For that to happen, we would both have to be his religion. My problem is, I Dear Abby don't know if his religion is right for me.

I love Johnny with all my heart but we have very different outlooks on life, religion and raising a family.

I respect him and his

beliefs, but I am a very independent person and I don't think it's fair that I have to change everything about myself

I think that Johnny respects that I want to live life to the fullest, but he thinks his beliefs are more "right" than mine

I don't want to hurt Johnny but I don't think I could live the way he wants me to for the rest of my life. I want to go to college, get a good job and have a career

Johnny, I'll be expected to stay home, be a homemaker and take care of the children

- Made For Better Things in Idaho Dear Made: You appear to be a sensible young woman.

Your concerns about your future are legitimate. The debate you are having with your-self is healthy and intelligent. Do not allow yourself to be stampeded into making a commitment. Johnny should go on his mission and you should complete your education. After that, you will both be in a better

position to judge wheth er you are meant to marry

Dear Abby: My mother and her fifth husband, "Lester," have been planning their funeral arrangements, discussing burial vs. cremation, etc. Mom wants to be cremated. At first Lester said that was what he wanted, too.

Lester was previously married for 42 years to a wonderful woman, "Agnes." He nursed her

through her long last illness Now he says he wants to be buried next to her.

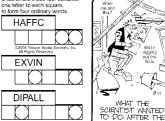
Personally, I see nothing wrong with this. As far as I'm concerned, when people die they are gone. But Mom is making a huge deal out of it. She says that Lester will probably die first, and she doesn't think she should have to visit him if he's lying next to Agnes.

- Daughter of Relationship Dunce in California Dear Daughter: If your mother

is smart, she'll try and concentrate on making this marriage as happy and stress-free as she can for both their sakes. When it's Lester's time to go, he should be free to rest in peace wherever he

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by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion Unscramble these four Jumbles



TRAUI B Answer:

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

EARTHQUAKE

Yesterday's

Jumbles: MAXIM RAIAH INVENT FAITER Answer: No longer included in the air fare - THE AIR "FARE

isability makes dating difficult Dear Annie: I'm a

36-year-old bachelor who adores all of the bonding, caring qualities in the heart of a good woman. The problem is that I've been afflicted by a disability, an automatic date killer known as epilepsy.

Recently, after a nice lunch date at the park, my date and I visited the local roller rink. We were blading away to some hip-hop tunes, when I had a grand mal seizure. I regained consciousness in the hospital and was informed that my date, in near hysterics, had exited promptly from the building in embarrassment. Needless

to say, I don't think there will be a second date No matter how great a guy is, if he has a disability, women see him as a liability. What am I

- Hopeless Epileptic

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Hopeless: Most women are actually anite understanding about such things. provided you warn them in advance. We can understand if you don't want to disclose your medical condition on the first date.

However, if you have frequent seizures, and there is a likelihood that you will have one

during an evening out, it would be best to prepare your date. People can handle more than you think. For more suggestions on how to deal with such social interaction, we recommend contacting The Epilepsy Founda tion (epilepsyfoundation.org), 4351 Garden City Dr., Landover MD 20785-7223 (1-800-332-1000)

Dear Annie: You recently printed a letter from "Steamroller's Mom," about her 24-year-old daughter, "Alice," who talks nonstop, never letting another

person get a word in edgewise Partly because of this, Alice doesn't make new friends easily and never keeps a boyfriend for long

Your advice was sound, if her talking was a matter of breaking a bad habit. However, the daughter also needs to be checked for mania in bipolar disorder. Her mother's description fits the symptom known as "press of speech," which is often seen in that disorder. Many effective treatments are available

- Thomas G. Gutheil, M.D., Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School Boston

Dear Dr. Gutheil: Thank you for your expert opinion. We appreciate the alternative sugges-

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Family Circus



"Is the world round all over? 'Cause it sure looks flat in places.'

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"I'M CALLING FOR RUFF MITCHELL, HE WOULD LIKE TO CANCEL HIS VET APPOINTMENT



"And what is this, Nurse Wilkens? I distinctly as for the big scalpel! ... Big scalpel! Big scalpel





Actress Fay Wray, above, best remembered for her role in the classic 1933 film "King Kong," right, died Sunday at her Manhattan apartment



King Kong's beloved, Fay Wray, dies at 96

By KAREN MATTHEWS
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Fay Wray tried twice to wrestle free from a giant gorilla's grip. Once onscreen in the 1933 classic "King Kong" and then again in the years that followed when she yearned to shake the ape's prestigious shadow.

"I used to resent 'King Kong,' "she said in a 1963 interview. "But now I don't fight it anymore. I realize that it is a classic, and I am pleased to be associated with it."

Wray died quietly in her sleep Sunday at her Manhattan apartment, said Rick McKay, a friend and director of the 2003 documentary "Broadway: The Golden Age," the last film she appeared in. She was

The Empire State Building — the skyscraper that Kong scaled while holding tight to Wray — was scheduled to dim its lights for 15 minutes Tuesday in honor of the actress, a building spokesman said.

During a career that started in 1923, Wray appeared with such stars as Ronald Colman, Gary Cooper and Spencer Tracy, but she was destined to be linked with the rampaging Kong in movie fans' minds.

Her other films included adventures like "The Four Feathers" and "Viva Villa"; Westerns such as "The Texam" and "The Conquering Horde"; romances such as "One Sunday Afternoon" and "The Unholy Garden"; and the horror films "Dr. X" and "The Mystery of the Wax Museum."

After appearing in director Erich von Stroheim's 1928 silent "The Wedding March," playing a poor Viennese girl abandoned by her lover, Wray became a much-employed leading lady. In 1933, the year of "Wing Korn" the proposed in 11 filts,

"King Kong," she appeared in 11 films.

In 1980, she told of her dissatisfaction with roles

of that period: "Leading ladies were not supposed to be funny but were supposed to stand there and look beautiful. That was frustrating as an actress."

In "King Kong," she plays an unemployed actress who agrees to take a job with a movie company that is going on location to a mysterious island inhabited by the huge ane.

When the fictional film company discovers him, Kong is attracted to Wray and abducts her. But he is eventually captured and put on display in New York. Kong escapes and finds Wray, with terrifying results, but eventually meets his death on the Empire State Building.

In her 1988 autobiography, "On the Other Hand," Wray wrote of Kong. "He is a very real and individual al entity. He has a personality, a character that has been compelling to many different people for many different reasons and viewpoints."

The actress recalled that she was paid \$10,000 for her work on "King Kong," but her 10 weeks' work was stretched over a 10-month period. "Residuals were not even considered, because there were no es-

tablished unions to protect us," she added.
Although Kong appeared huge, the full figure was really only 18 inches tall. Wray spent her time with

its fake arm, which was 8 feet long.
"I would stand on the floor," she recalled, "and
they would bring this arm down and cinch it around
my waist, then pull me up in the air. Every time I
moved, one of the fingers would loose, not it would
look like I was trying to get away. Actually, I was trying not to slip through his hand."

Apparently at peace with her most famous role, Wray wrote in her autobiography: "Each time I arrive in New York and see the skyline and the exquisite beauty of the Empire State Building, my heart beats a little faster. I like that feeling. I really like



War Is Tough on Families

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Marsha Evans President and CEO, American Red Cross Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy (Ret.)





Together, we can save a life

Health guru Gypsy Boots dead at 89

BY GILLIAN FLACCUS

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Gypsy Boots, a California fitness icon, author and health guru who paved the way for generations of beatniks, hippies and health-food junkies, has died. He was 89.

Boots, born Robert Bootzin in San Francisco, died early Sunday at a convalescent home in Camarillo after a brief illness, said his son. Daniel Bootzin. Boots defined what it meant to live close to nature decades before the nation's current obsession with organic foods, yoga and exercise.

Boots' philosophy of clean living, exercise and healthy eating — laid out in his books "Barefeet and Good Things to Eat" and "The Gypsy in Me" — attracted thousands of fans worldwide and netted him 25 appearances on "The Steve Allen Show" in the early 1960s. During his life, he tried a number of careers, from author to entertainer to hay baler to trendy restaurateur — but never shed his long hair and thick beard or his passion for natural foods and a near-Spartan existence.

"What people have a hard time understanding is that in the early 1960s, there were no hippies and nobody had long hair, nobody had a beard," said his son, Daniel Bootzin. "He really was that way way before anybody had that look."

Keys to reading the mail

O. My e-mail box is stuck in the right-hand corner of the screen; therefore, I cannot read all of the messages. Also, because it is so far to the

Ask lim

right, I cannot use the scroll bar. Could you clue me in on what can I do to right this situation? - Phyllis Hepton

A. You can get that errant e-mail window to move back into sight using the keyboard shortcuts built into Windows. With the e-mail open, tap the Alt key plus the space bar. This brings up the tools to move, minimize and maximize

whatever window is open. If you press the X key with Alt plus space bar, that obstructed window will open to cover the whole screen thereby making the scroll bar reappear. Or you can tap Alt plus space

har and M to activate the move command. With this active, you can move the window back, to the left and down just using the cursor kevs.

The final shortcut in this sequence of Alt plus space bar and N minimizes the open window, leaving whatever was behind it

This last trick not only can help one handle many open windows at a time, but it is also a very handy way to make the game vou are playing vanish in a flash if the boss walks by.

O. I am 83 this April and have a nice, almost new Dell 8300. When my wonderful but danger-

ous-on-a-computer granddaughter got on my computer, she messed it up while set-

ting it so that my picture was the desktop wallpaper. I didn't like that and had her change it.

Whatever she did next is beyond even my local computer expert.

Every time I turn on the computer, the screen loads up and then in front of the icons pops up over two-thirds of my screen

a window called System 32. We do not know how to put it back in its box without messing up my XP system.

All I can do now is close that System 32 before I can go online or use the computer any other way, Please help, - Ken Mahal

A. It turns out that quite a few folks got dangerous on a computer while trying to customize the look of their machines and encountered that nasty System 32 blitz. I presume that because you mention your age, you are hoping for an easy fix, so maybe you should take this answer to that local computer expert you first consulted.

A corrupted setting in the Win-

dows registry file causes this folder pop-up error, and the fix requires editing the registry. which really can be dangerous on a computer.

So tell your expert to check out an article in the Microsoft Knowledge Base explaining the fix. It's at http://support.

microsoft.com/?kbid170086

It's crucial to back up the registry before making changes. Tell your fixer to start by going to Start and Run and typing in

Then, under File in the registry editor, select export to make a copy of the registry.

The Knowledge Base explains how to call up the problem areas, called Keys, and find the

I probably am making this ound more complex than it actually is, Mr. M. I'll bet you would have no problem just calling up that Knowledge Base page and fixing it personally.

Or maybe you can just wait until the next time your tech-oriented granddaughter drops by.

If she can put your mug up as wallpaper, she can easily follow

Contact Jim Coates via e-mail at: icoates@tribune.com or via snail mail at the Chicago Tribune, Room 400, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago IL 60611. Ques tions can be answered only throug column. Add your point of view at: www.chicagotribune.com/askjim

Employees walk past police as they go into the Pruden tial Financial build. ing in Newark, N.J., last Monday. On-the-job tensions appear to be rising in cities that have been identified as terror threats. "[Y]ou add this whole thing of terror ism threats ... and it adds a whole other level of stress," said Henry Patterson, a professor of applied psychology at PSU Berks-Lehigh Valley College in Reading,

Stress up with alerts, but employers working on it

BY ADAM GELLER The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Heightened fear terrorism is dialing up already-high pressure levels in some U.S. offices and factories, further distracting people from their jobs and causing more friction between co-workers, counselors say.

Workers rarely specify or even know why they're stressed. But on-the-job tensions appear to be rising, especially in cities that have been identified as terror threats. because of separate but increasing ly connected events. As election year politics heat up, campaign rhetoric focuses increasingly on se-curity that government alerts and inquiries highlight.

Tempers are very short, patience is very poor, the anger level is there, and people just are very tense," said Fran Galante, executive director of Managed Care Concepts, a Boca Raton, Fla., firm that employee assistance programs under contract with employ-

The change, Galante says, is evident in a 50 percent jump in her company's caseload during the past three months.

Many companies have tightened security since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks and drawn up plans for dealing with such a crisis, and those efforts do offer workers some reasnce. But most U.S. busir are geared to react to actual problems. Few try to address the vague, but potentially troubling changes that can be ignited by rumors and opinions, Galante said.

That's understandable, but also ironic because the emotions stirred by recent events are exactly the kind most likely to cause stress, said Henry Patterson, a pro-fessor of applied psychology at Pennsylvania State University's Berks-Lehigh Valley College in Reading, Pa.

At some level, he said, a degree of stress can be positive. "But you add this whole thing of terrorism threats, which virtually no one has control over, and it adds a whole other level of stress.

Monday's Market Summary

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Armor Holdings		33	34.18	42	+29.9
Boeing	.80	15	48.76	+.43	+15.7
Computer Sciences	-	16	43.64	+.08	-1.3
Engineered Sup Sys	.07	21	45.80	63	-16.8
General Dynamics	1.44	17	95,30	21	+5.4
General Electric	.80	21	31.85	+.33	+2.8
Halliburton	.50		29.90	+.23	+15.0
Harris Corp.	.40	23	45.77	+.10	+20.6
Alfied Signal	.75	21	34.61	+.03	+3.5
L-3 Communications	.40	19	59.23	+.36	+15.3
Lockheed Martin	.88	21	52,70	06	+2.5
NorthrpG s	.92	20	51.69	20	+8.1
Raytheon	.80	75	34.45	+.59	+14.7
Rockwell Intl.	.66	21	36.10	15	+1.4
Segua Corp.	-	36	47.74	+1.45	-2.6
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Textron Inc.	1.30	32	60.95	37	+6.8
United Technologies	1.40	17	89,47	58	-5.6

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Fidelity Spartan: Epldx	37.83	+.04	-3.
Putnam Funds A: GrlnA p	17.20	+.01	-2
Fidelity Invest: A Mgr	15.23		-2
Frank/Temp Frnk A: SMCpGrA	27.89	+.04	-7.
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EXCHANGE RATES

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S. Korean won (Aug. 12)1.127.00
Commercial rates
Bahrain (Dinar)0.377
British pound\$1.8368
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Denmark (Krone)6.0531
Egypt (Pound)6.19
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Iceland (Krona)71.145
Israel (Shekel)4.5269
Japan (Yen)110.72
Kuwait (Dinar)0.2947
Norway (Krone)6.7710
Philippines (Peso)55.74
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)3.7509
Singapore (Dollar)1.7169
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PRECIOUS METALS

INTEREST RATES

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Discount rate2.
Federal funds market rate1.33
3-month bill1
30-year bond
Sources: The Associated Press, Bank
America, Bloomberg.com

ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

Help pupils know money

NEW YORK - Although parents are usually pleased that their children are due back in classrooms soon, back-to-school shopping can be a source of stress.

A survey of 1,000 parents shows that 62 percent do not look forward to the hassle and ex-pense of getting clothes and supplies for the new school year, according to Rosetta Jones, director of Visa USA

The National Retail Federation reports that the average family spends \$483 on back-to-school ne cessities - \$219 on clothing, \$90 on shoes, \$73 on school supplies and \$101 on computer equipment and electronics.

But if you shop with your child,

back-to-school shopping is a wonderful opportunity to teach him or her about money. One way is to create a budget. Determine what your child needs and what you can afford. If your school sends home a list of required supplies, incorporate those before budgeting in "extras" such as a cell phone or designer jeans. This is also a good time to talk about comparison-shopping.

If your child has a part-time

job, ask that he or she pay for certain things. Jones said many kids don't know how to divide earnings into savings, necessary expenses and discretionary purchases. spending most of their money on food and entertainment.

For help with budgets, visit www.practicalmoneyskills.com.

SCOREBOARD

AFN schedule

(All times Central European. AFN-A: AFN-Atlantic; PAC: AFN-Pacific/Korea; SPT: AFN-Sports; did: delayed; cut: two-hour or 90-minute cut-down. Listings are latest avail-able from AFRTS and subject to change with-out notice.)

Australian Rules Football — ; 7 a.m. Friday (dld) SPT. (GIII) SPT.

Baseball — Minnesota at Seattle, 4 a.m.
Wednesday, SPT; TBD, 1 a.m. Thursday,
AFN-A and SPT: TBD, 4 a.m. Thursday, SPT. arm-a and SH1; fBb, 4 a.m. Thursday, SPT; fBb, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12 both did) both SPT; NY, Yankees at Texas, 2 m. Friday, Aug. 13, SPF, 1975, 197

Golf — 86th PGA Championship: 1st round, joined in progress at 9:30 p.m. Thursday, SPT. Melorsports at 730 p.m. Inursday, 5 Melorsports — American Le Mans Series Ontario, 9 a.m. Wednesday (did) SPT. Olympics (Note: Telecasts listed as "live" at myaftn.net frequently are live feeds of NBC's tape-delayed coverage of events NBC's tape-delayed coverage of events (ocal TV outlets for real-time coverage). — USA women's soccer vs. TBD, 430 p.m. Wednesday, SPT; preview, 7 p.m. Thursday, SPT. p.m. Thursda

Pro football — . NFL preseason: Atlanta at laltimore, 2 a.m. Friday, AFN-A. Track and field — IAAF GP Weltklasse Zur-th, 7 a.m. Wednesday, (dld) SPT.

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(Listings are feeds from AFN in California. Some might not air in all areas) Baseball — N.Y. Yankees at Texas, 2 a.m.

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Pro soccer

Major League Soccer

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D.C. United	5	8	6	21	24	30			
Chicago	4	8	7	19	19	24			
New England	4	8	7	19	24	30			
Western	Confe	rer	ice						
Los Angeles	9	6	6	33	35	31			
Kansas City	9	5	5	32	28	18			
Dallas	7	7	5	26	24	25			
Colorado	6	6	8	26	16	18			
San Jose	6	6	6	24	30	26			

or tie. Sunday's game
MetroStars 3. Los Angeles 0
Wednesday, Aug. 11
Colorado at D.C. United
New England at Dallas
San Jose at Chicago
Saturday, Aug. 14
San Jose at Kansas City San Jose at Kansas City
New England at D.C. United
Colorado at Chicago
Columbus at Los Angeles
Sunday, Aug. 15
Dallas at MetroStars

Tennis

Idea Prokom Open

Tuesday
At Sopocki Klub Tenisowy
Sopot, Poland
Men, \$605,543 (Intl. Series);
Women, \$300,000 (Tier III)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Men
Singles
First Round

First Round Rafael Nadal (6), Spain, def. Victor Hanes-cu, Romania, 6-4, 6-4.

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Franco Squillari, Argentina, def. Tomas
Zlo, Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-2.
David Ferrer (3), Spain, def. Guillermo GarCharles, Spain, def. Martin Vassalo
Arguello, Italy, 6-4, 6-2.
Arguello, Italy, 6-4, 6-3.
Arguello, Italy, 6-4, 6-3.
Arguello, Taly, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4. TANK McNamara

Nuria Llagostera Vives, Spain, def. Zsofia Subacsi, Hungary, 6-2, 6-0. Silvija Talaja, Croatia, def. Selima Sfar, Tu-isla, 6-4, 6-2. Nuria Llagos Gubacsi, Hung

Vancouver Women's Open

Monday At The Jericho Tennis Club

At The Jericho Ténnis Club Vancouver, British Columbia Purse: \$110,000 (Tier V) Surface: Hard-Outdoor Singles Laura Granville Tier States, def. Sa-mantha Reeves, United States, 7-5, 6-1. Galina Voskoboeva, Russia, def. Sofia Arvidsson, Sweden, 6-2, 6-4. Jennifer Hopkins, United States, def. Arvidsson, Sweden, 6-2, 6-4.

Jennifer Hopkins, United States, def.
Stephanie Foretz, France, 6-3, 6-4. Milagnos Sequera (2), Venezuela, def. An-nonella Serra Zanetti, Italy, 6-4, 6-3. Rita Grande (6), Italy, def. Els Callens, Bel-jium, 6-4, 6-4.

Pro basketball

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Detroit	13		.481						
Charlotte	12		.480	1					
Washington	12	14	.462	11/2					
Indiana	12	15	.444	2					
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	W	L	Pct	GB					
Los Angeles	19	- 7	.731	-					
Seattle	17	8	.680	13/2					
Minnesota	15	11	.577	4					
Phoenix	12	13	.480	61/2					
Sacramento	12	13		61/2					
Houston	12	14	.462	7					
San Antonio	6	20	.231	13					
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Wednesday, Sept. 1
Indiana at Washington
Connecticut at Charlotte

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Connecticut at Ura...
Phoenix at Detroit
Minnesota at Houston
Sacramento at Seattle
San Antonio at Los Angeles

Golf

World ranking

b. Retier Goosci. 7. Mike Weir 8. Padraig Harrington 9. Jim Furyk 10. Sergio Garcia

Deals

Monday's transactions

ABASEBALL
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Recalled RHP Felix
Diaz from Charlotte of the IL.
DETROIT TIGERS—Placed OF Alex Sanchez
on the 15-day DL. Recalled OF Nook Logan

in the 15-day by the Recalled OF Nook Logan rom Toledo of the IL. OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Placed RHP Chad radford on the 15-day DL. Called up RHP airo Garcia from Sacramento of the PCL. SEATILE MARINERS—Announced the re-irement of DH Edgar Martinez at the end of he season. ne season.

TEXAS RANGERS—Activated RHP Doug rocail from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP osman Garcia to Oklahoma of the PCL.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Named Joe Breeden

National League
NEW YORK METS—Purchased the of

ie Timmons from Atlantic City of League and assigned him to No the Atlantic League and assigned nim to Nur-folk of the IL.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Acquired RHP Cory Lidle from Cincinnati for OF Javon Moran, LHP Joe Wilson and a player to be named or cash.

National Basketball Association

DETROIT PISTONS—Re-signed F Darvin

am. **HOUSTON ROCKETS**—Signed G Charlie /ard and G Bob Sura.

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Re-signed G
Troy Hudson to a four-year contract with
two option years

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ABA—Announced the Bellevue, Wash. fran-chise will begin play in the 2004-05 season in-stead of 2005-05 season and the Bakerslield. Callf, franchise will begin play in the 3004-05.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Announced the re tirement of OL Adam Meadows. CHICAGO BEARS—Signed PK Remy Hamil-

IcCleary. Signed DT Glen Steele to a ne-year contract. DENVER BRONCOS—Announced the retirenent of RB Terrell Davis. GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed WR Reggie

HOUSTON TEXANS—Signed TE Kevin Zurec-HOUSTON TEXANS—Signed TEXEVIN ZURCELI Walved C Demis O'SullivanNEW YORK GLANTS—Walved RB Delvin
Oyoc and RB Demick Rhight. Signed RB JoffPOTTS BURGH STEELERS—Signed LB Adrian
toss and DE Anthony Herron, Released LS
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NATIONAL HOSPIN CONTROL OF THE STEELERS—SIGNED LB DUFFALO SABRES—RE-SIGNED F. JP. Dunont, D Brad Brown and G Martin Biron.

BUFFALO SARRES—Re-signed F J.P. Du-mont, D Brad Brown and G Martin Biron. LOS ANGELES KINGS—Agreed to terms with C Eric Belanger on a one-year contract. Signed LW Ryan Flinn to a one-year con-

act. NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Re-signed F TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Agreed to terms ith I W Fredrik Modin on a multivear con-

tract.
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Announced they are relocating their AHL affiliate from St. John's, Newfoundland to Toronto for the

ARMY—Named Mike Blaine director of nen's basketball operations. CLARK, MASS.—Named Stacy Kelly athlet-c department intern.

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oachn. LINCOLN, PA.—Named Garfield Yuille nen's basketball coach and Trifinia Ashmor

vomen's volleyball coach.

LOUISIANA-MONROE—Named Chris Wil-EOUISIANA-MONRUE—Rained Gill...
on men's golf coach.
MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS—Named Josh Lauer
vomen's interim volleyball coach.
NEW ORLEANS—Named Michael Parsons equipment manager.

PENNSYLVANIA – Announced the resigna-tion of Joe McGeever, women's assistant basketball coach. Named Brian Stanchak co-ordinator of men's and women's basketball operations.

operations.

PEPPERDINE—Named Twila Kaufman wom-en's assistant soccer coach and Tim Nollan women's assistant volleyball coach.

TENNESSEE—Named Mike Bell pitching

Injury forces Capriati to pull out of Games

ATHENS, Greece - Jennifer Capriati was forced to pull out of the Athens Games with a hamstring injury and was replaced by Lisa Raymond, a team spokesman told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

Capriati won a gold medal in the 1992 Barcelona Games, but she missed the 1996 and 2000 Olympics. She told coach Zina Garrison on Sunday she couldn't play in the Olympics because of the injury, which has been bothering Capriati since July.

Raymond, who was to play doubles with Martina Navratilova, was picked for the singles spot vacated by Capriati, spokesman

Randy Walker said. "She's the highest ranked player who is in the tournament who wasn't competing in singles," Walker said. "But now she will be playing singles and doubles with Martina Navratilova."

The duo reached the semifinals at Wimbledon this year before los-ing to South Africa's Liezel Huber and Japan's Ai Sugiyama 7-6 (4), 7-5.

Raymond, a native of Norristown, Pa., who turned 31 Tuesday, is a right-hander ranked No. 40 by the Women's Tennis Association who has four WTA singles ti-

In July, Capriati withdrew from the JPMorgan Chase Open, citing a hamstring injury. At the time, she said she hoped to be able to play in the Olympics, which start Friday

"I'm really looking forward to competing this summer, especially in the Olympics and the U.S. Open," she said in July.

Capriati played in the WTA Tour Rogers Cup in Montreal last week, losing to Russian Elena Likhovtseva 6-2, 7-5 in the quarterfinals.

Olympic flame arrives in ancient Marathon

ATHENS, Greece - The Olympic flame arrived Tuesday at the ancient site of Marathon two days before the opening ceremonies.

The flame, which has traveled through 26 countries on its unprecedented around the world trin will spend the night in Marathon near the spot where the ancient Athenians defeated an invading Persian army in 490 B.C and inspired the legend of the messenger Pheidippides and the modern race. The town will serve as the starting point of the mara-

Thousands of onlookers waving Greek flags cheered as Olympic weightlifter Giorgos Tzelilis carried the flame up to a specially built marble podium and lit the

"I wish I could have taken part in the Games but a serious injury has prevented me," said the injured Tzelilis

Sports briefs

Marathon leaving Wednesday, the flame will travel through Athens and the port of Piraeus, making its way up to the Acropolis on Thursday.

It will arrive Friday at the main Olympic stadium for the opening ceremonies.

Defenseman Chara re-signs with Senators for two years

OTTAWA - The Ottawa Senators re-signed star defenseman Zdeno Chara to a two-year, \$9.5-million contract Tuesday, avoiding salary arbitration.

Chara, who was paid \$2.4 million last season, will make \$4.6 million in 2004-05 and \$4.9 million in 2005-06. An arbitration hearing had been scheduled for Wednesday

The 6-foot-9, 260-pound defenseman was runner-up to the New Jersey Devils' Scott Niedermayer for the Norris Trophy last season after scoring a career-high 16 goals and recording 41 points.

He was acquired from the New York Islanders before the 2001 season with Bill Muckalt and the second overall draft nick for Alexei Yashin. He was the Islanders' third-round pick, 56th overall, in the 1996 entry draft.

Chara will play for Slovakia in the World Cup of Hockey, Aug. 30-Sept. 14.

Giants co-owner Tisch fighting cancer

NEW YORK - New York Giants co-owner Robert Tisch was diagnosed with cancer and has begun treatment

No other details would be released, family Howard Rubenstein said Monday.

"We respect the Tisch family wishes for privacy during this tough time," the other co-owners, Wellington and John Mara, said in a statement released by the team at its training camp in Alba-

"Mr. Tisch is a fighter and we are going to support him in this fight. Mr. Tisch and his family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Coach Tom Coughlin said the news surprised the team.

"Very few of us in the organization knew there was any issue with Mr. Tisch," Coughlin said. "We are very, very upset about the news. The team is upset. Mr. Tisch is a wonderful guv.

Tisch, who was postmaster general of the United States from 1986-88, bought half of the team in 1991 from the Wellington Mara's nephew, Tim Mara.

The New York Daily News, Newsday and New York Post reported that Tisch, the 78-year-old billionaire chairman of the Loews Corp., has brain cancer. The Daily News and Post, citing unidentified sources, said he has an inonerable tumor.

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Summertime, and the living is easy

Teams enjoy accommodations at Little League's Europe headquarters

BY RUSTY BRYAN Stars and Stripe:

KUTNO, Poland - For tournament play ers and coaches, the living is surprisingly easy at Little League Baseball's European headquarters

"I expected a lot less." said Josh Truini 12, of the Brunssum-Schinnen team, which is representing the Netherlands in the eight-day Transatlantic Regional tournament. "I thought we'd be in hotels

Instead, Truini and his teammates find themselves sleeping in bunk beds in spacious 14-player rooms that open to a lobby area, shower room and toilet facilities

The arrangement gives a team the chance to be a team, day and night.

"It's cool," Truini said, referring to more than the dorms' air-conditioning. "It's like a summer camp."

In addition to the players' quarters, each team's living area includes a separate coaches' room with private bath and a lobby area with storage space for equip-ment. Also on each floor of the complex's four dormitory building is a conference room for team meetings and nightly movies for the players

'We can accommodate four teams per building," said Assistant European Regional Director Shawn Sombati, a former umpire and graduate of Naples High School "Last year, though, we ran the European and Transatlantic Regionals at the same time. We had 20 teams, so some of them had to stay at a high school dorm nearby

The off-site facilities weren't as good Sombati said, so officials received a lot of complaints

"We won't do that again." he said This week, there have been no com-

"I sleep better here than I do at home Naples assistant coach Dwight Smalls said. "There are no phone calls waking me up. Little League helps with the teams' nutri-

tional needs, but there is no food service in the dorms "It was originally envisaged that we'd have a cafeteria," Sombati said, "but that's

not cost-efficient for us. We'd have to hire a food staff. Plus, we have teams, such as Saudi Arabia, with players who have special dietary needs.



Air-conditioned dormitories at Little League's European headquarters at Kutno, Poland, house 14 players per room, with separate facilities for three coaches and a conference room. The complex has three dormitories that can accommodate 14 teams comfortably

Instead, Little League gives teams money to help pay for meals in town.
"You can't eat like a king on it," Sombati said, "but it helps out."

It also helps the local economy

"Instead of us spending it here," Sombati said, "the money goes out into the local community. There's not much tourism in Kutno, but since we've arrived (in 1996) there have been lots of new restaurants and hotels opened."

To show the teams where they can get something to eat, as well as serving as interpreters and tour guides, each squad is assigned two local students as

guides. "It's fun," said Slywia Spera, 16, a Kutno high school student who's serving as a guide for the third year. "I like meeting new people and playing with my new friends."

The guides also show off their town and country on days when their teams aren't scheduled to play.

"They take them to nearby cities such as Lodz," Sombati said, "or to the lake which is about 15 minutes from here."

The dormitory complex offers more than nightly movies to keep players entertained. Basketball hoops, volleyball and badminton courts, a soccer field and pingpong tables

dot the area between the four buildings.

"It's empty now," Sombati said, gesturing toward the well-worn grass on the soccer field, "but during our EMEA (Europe an, Middle East and Africa) Regional last month, there was always a game going.

Teams don't have to bring their own equipment either. "Each team has a soccer ball, basketball

volleyball, badminton rackets and ping-pong paddles in its room," he said. The predominantly American players here gravitate toward the basketball oops, including AFNORTH sixth-grader Brenda Broadwater, who shot some baskets Friday morning. But that wasn't the most fun she's had.

"I like making new friends," she said "I'm staying in a room with a girl from Italy and her mom. They're nice.

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'Show'time for regional ump Gumbs

15-year veteran gets the call to Little League World Series

BY RUSTY BRYAN Stare and Strings

KUTNO, Poland - For minor league baseball players, the ultimate goal is get-ting to "the show" — the major leagues.

For Little Leaguers - and those who umpire their games — "the show" is the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pa One team from this week's Transatlantic Regional tournament in Poland will go to

World Series. So will one umpire. Bobby Gumbs, who has been umpiring in Little League for 15

this week. He knows it's a big deal, but he's taking it in stride. "If I let myself get excited when I get there." Gumbs said.

years, got the call-up

"I'll lose focus. I can't get nervous The 54-year-old from Alkmaar, Netherlands, was chosen as one of the internation al officials because of

his competence said umnire Bill Carter of

Placerville, Calif., one of six North American umpires working the regional.

Candidates must have worked a Little

League regional and must be recommended by their district supervisor. The region-al director forwards nominations to Williamsport, where the decision is made

It's a decision that doesn't come lightly.
"For an umpire in the States, the aver-

age wait, once you've been recommended, is eight to 10 years," Carter said. Gumbs worked the Junior World Series (for 13-year-olds) in Taylor, Mich., three years ago and conducted an umpiring clin-ic in Kutno the year before that.

Little League's European regional director, Beata Kaszuba, jumped at the chance to recommend Gumbs to work the Series.

"He's a good umpire, that's the No. 1 thing," Kaszuba said. "He's been involved with Little league for many years. For um-pires who support us like he does, our way of saying thanks is to send their names on to Williamsport. He really worked for it.

Williamsport is a far cry from Gumbs' stickball games in his native Aruba, a baseball-savvy Caribbean island.

"We had a system with tennis balls," Gumbs said. "We used three bases and broomsticks."

Gumbs began umpiring when he got to the Netherlands 15 years ago. He kept um-piring even after his wife died last spring.

"She was a scorekeeper," he said, "and sometimes when I looked over to the scorer's table my heart would ache. I would forget what I was doing. I could have turned to the glasses and the bottles, but I knew that wouldn't help. You have to get through."

Umpiring helps.
"Each game is different." he said. "It's always a surprise. I'll keep umpiring as long

as my body can make it. Gumbs prefers working with the 11- and 12-year olds, such as the ones he'll be um-

piring at Williamsport.
"I enjoy these kids the most," he said.

'You can still control them."

And help them, too. "These kids have talent, but they're ner-

vous playing in front of their teammates, parents and crowds. It's my job to make them relax, to let them know they have all the time they need to get ready. Does it work?

Gumbs smiled and shook his head. "They still swing at anything in front of

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Ramstein reaches Transatlantic semifinals

BY RUSTY BRYAN Stars and Stripes

KUTNO, Poland - Ramstein and Naples posted come-from-behind victories Tuesday in Little League Baseball's Transatlantic Regional tournament.

Ramstein, champion of Germany, defeated England champion London 8-6 to assure itself a berth in Thursday's semifinals. Naples rode an eight-run fourth to a 13-8 victory over Belgium.

Germany 8, England 6: Reliever Stephen Braden used a pitch he developed in the Ramstein AYA school of hard knocks to shut down England for the final three innings "I was using my fastball and curve,

Braden said about his near-perfect three innings of relief that allowed Ramstein to erase a 6-5 deficit on the hottest day so far of this eight-day event. "I used to hang curves to this guy all the time in AYA," he said in gesturing to tournament home run leader and teammate Chris Johnson, "and he'd whack it. I learned not to hang them

Tuesday, when the 10-15 mph northeast breeze that has moderated the temperatures here all week died, all Braden hung — out to dry, that is — were the first seven England batters he faced, striking out two



The only hit he allowed was a groundball single up the middle to Josh Halvorson with one out in the sixth. Ramstein second baseman

Dreshawn Murray made a diving stop of the ball, but Halvorson beat Murray's throw to first.

The victory put Ramstein (4-1) into Thursday's semifinals regardless of what happens in the final round-robin games on Wednesday. Ramstein has a game left against Italy, which could assure itself of a spot in the semis with a victory.

England (3-2) plays Spain (2-3 and idle Tuesday) on Wednesday in a game with major implications for the semis. Both teams are playing musical chairs with Italy for the two semifinal berths not claimed by Saudi Arabia and Germany

Italy 13, Belgium 8: Naples fell behind 7-3 in the top of the fourth, but found the answer in their half of the inning when Belgium ran out of pitching and, for all intents and purposes, out of the semifinal picture. The Brussels-area stars (1-4) face Saudi Arabia on Wednesday in their final game in pool play

A.J. Aleiandro opened the fourth in re-

lief of Brussels starter Matt Rohn but left after surrendering three walks and a single. Kevin Nelson took over and took it on

After allowing a run on a grounder by Joni Fatora, Nelson walked Devon Mitchell with the bases loaded; hit Jorgio Richardson with a pitch to force in another run then threw the ball into right field on a nubber in front of the plate by winning pitcher Tyler Jacobson to clear the bases.

"I'm a magnet for the ball." said Richard-

son, who was hit by a pitch for the fourth time in this tournament.

To completely ruin his day, Nelson threw the ball away on an appeal play at third that allowed another run to score in a coup-de-grace two-run Naples sixth.

Saudi Arabia 16, Netherlands 0: Saudi catcher Colt Hankamer deposited the first pitch of the game over the left-field fence to give the Netherlands champion a quick ndication of how this one would go Saudi Arabia sent 15 batters to the plate

in a 12-run fourth inning. The run-rule victory eliminated the Netherlands (1-5) from semifinal contention and nailed down the No. 1 seed for the Sau-

dis (5-0).

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land 11, Minnesota 9, 2B—Kotsay (22), Hatte-berg (21), Scutaro (25), Melhuse (8), Offer-man (12), 3B—Offerman (2), HR—Rivas (7), SF—Hatteberg.

Devil Rays 8, Red Sox 3

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OTTAWA - The Colorado Rockies refused to let prized pitching prospect Jeff Francis go to Athens, which means Canada's Olympic baseball team is looking for a new ace.

Baseball Canada received a fax from the Rockies on Monday informing them that the 23-year-old left-hander from North Delta, British Columbia, won't be pitching in the Summer Games

That could be good news for Francis — maybe Colorado plans to call him up soon from Triple-A. But it's a tough loss for a Canadian team already missing slugger Justin Morneau, now the starting first baseman for the Minnesota

"We are disappointed with the decision the Rockies have made,

as we felt the Olympics would be tremendous opportunity for Jeff and that our club would benefit from his participation," said Greg Hamilton, director of national teams for Baseball Canada.

"However, we respect and ac-cept Colorado's decision. Furthermore, we wish Jeff the very best as he embarks on what promises to be a very successful career.'

Francis is 2-2 with a 1.97 ERA in five starts for Triple-A Colorado Springs since he was promoted from Double-A Tulsa in mid-July. He has struck out 39 and walked only three in 32 in-

He went 13-1 with a 1.98 ERA in 17 starts with Tulsa this season, striking out 147 and walking 22 in 1132/3 innings.

Francis was selected in the first round of the 2002 draft, ninth overall, and pitched a no-hitter for Class A Visalia in 2003

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Baseball calendar

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Jan. 8 — Last day until May 1 for free
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Jan. 18 — Exchange of salary arbitration
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Feb. 1-21 — Salary arbitration hearings.

Feb. 19 — Voluntary reporting date for itchers, catchers and injured players.

Feb. 24 — Voluntary reporting date for ther players.

March 2-11 — Teams may renew contracts

March 2-11 — Teams may renew contracts of unsigned players.
March 2 — Mandatory reporting date.
March 16 — Last day to place a player on unconditional release waivers and pay 30 days termination pay instead of 45 days.
March 30 — Last day to request unconditional release waivers on a player without having to pay his full 2005 salary.

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Mariners' Martinez to retire after season

BY PEGGY ANDERSEN The Associated Press

SEATTLE - Edgar Martinez's heart is still in the game. But at 41, after 18 years with the Seattle Mariners, his body can't keep up

anymore The two-time AL batting champion, one of baseball's greatest designated hitters, choked up Monday when he announced his decision to retire at the end of the



"I have decided that my last season," Martinsaid at

Safeco Field. "I am very fortunate and grateful that I have been able to nlav mv en-

tire career with the Seattle Mariners. The fans here have always been and continue to be great

Former Seattle slugger Jay Buhner and several players turned out to support Martinez, and team chairman Howard Lincoln said Martinez's No. 11 would be re-

Martinez has been a hitting machine, spraying extra-base hits to all fields. Five-plus years from now, he could become a test case for whether a player who spent most of his career as a designated hitter should be elected to the

Hall of Fame.

He holds the DH record for home runs and RBIs, and has the highest batting average among DHs with at least 1,000 at-bats, according to the Elias Sports Bu-

Overall, Martinez is a .312 hitter with 305 home runs and 1,244 RBIs. He has 2,205 hits, including 510 doubles. The seven-time All-Star has batted over .300 in 10 seasons and led the American League in hitting in 1992 and

A third baseman when he began his major league career in 1987, he played most of his games at DH. Of his 7,060 lifetime at-bats, almost 5,000 have come as a DH.

"He's the best DH of all-time. Just a classy person. He's got Hall of Fame numbers," said Hall of Fame numbers," said Tampa Bay's Lou Piniella, who managed Martinez in Seattle. "He's one of the best right-handed hitters I've ever seen. As he got older, he hit for more power, and that's pretty incredible."

This year, Martinez is batting

258 with eight home runs and 46 RBIs. His playing time has been scaled back since Bucky Jacobsen was brought up from Triple-A Tacoma in mid-July.

The Mariners began the season with high hopes, but are stuck in last place in the AL West at 41-70. "Everything has gone in a dif-

ferent direction — it's been hard for me," Martinez said. "It's been hard for everyone in that clubhouse. It's baseball. Sometimes you have to go through that," he said. "I never saw it coming

Rays hand Schilling first home loss

BOSTON — Curt Schilling was struggling and his perfect record at Fenway Park with Boston was in jeopardy — and he knew Tampa Bay wasn't going to make his outing any easier

You can say what you want about strength of schedule or teams under .500," he said.
"There are no patsies in this league. If you don't go out and execute, you're going to get into trouble, and tonight was about execution."



Aubrey Huff hit one of Tampa Bay's four homers and the Devil Rays handed Schilling his first home loss this season, snapping a nine-game road losing streak with an 8-3 victory

Monday night over the Red Sox. Schilling was 7-0 with a 3.32 ERA in 11 pre-

vious starts for Boston at Fenway "I didn't feel as sharp as usual," Schilling said after allowing a season-worst three homers in five-plus innings.

"I've won with worse stuff. Toby Hall hit a two-run homer, and Tino Martinez and Julio Lugo each added a solo shot for Tampa Bay, which had been 0-3 and had scored just three runs in 231/3 innings against Schilling this season.

Gabe Kapler was 3-for-4 with a solo homer for the Red Sox, who played at home for the first time since trading All-Star shortstop Nomar Garcianarra to the Chicago Cubs on

John Halama (6-5) won for just the second time in eight starts, giving up three runs and 10 hits in six-plus innings, striking out six without walking a batter. Travis Harper worked two scoreless innings in relief, and Lance Carter pitched the ninth

Schilling (13-6) allowed six runs and 10 hits. His ERA rose from 3.38 to 3.73 Red Sox pitchers have allowed 11 homers the past two games.

In other AL games Monday

Orioles 7, Rangers 3: Melvin Mora homered twice and drove in three runs, and Baltimore extended its winning streak to seven by completing a four-game sweep of Texas.

Larry Bigbie also connected for the Orioles. who finished their first 7-0 homestand since September 1969. Baltimore moved within four games of .500 (53-57) for the first time since June 13



Boston Red Sox manager Terry Francona, center, pulls pitcher Curt Schilling as catcher Jason Varitek looks on, after Schilling gave up three runs in the sixth innning against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Monday in Boston. The Devil Rays beat the Red Sox 8-3.

Dave Borkowski (3-2) pitched six innings of four-hit ball, beating Mike Bacsik (1-1) and giving the Orioles their longest winning streak since Sentember 1999

Blue Jays 5, Yankees 4: Gabe Gross hit his first major league home run, Josh Towers took a shutout into the seventh inning and visiting Toronto won in John Gibbons' first game as manager to stop a five-game losing streak

A day after Toronto fired manager Carlos Tosca and replaced him with Gibbons for the rest of the season, the last-place Blue Jays built a 5-0 lead in winning the finale of the four-game series.

They kept Esteban Loaiza (9-6) winless in two starts since the Yankees acquired him from the Chicago White Sox on July 31 for Jose Contreras.

Indians 13, White Sox 11: Ben Broussard hit his second career grand slam and Omar Vizquel, Travis Hafner and Casey Blake

added solo home runs to send visiting Cleve-Jose Valentin homered twice for the White

Sox, who trailed 8-0 in the sixth inning. But after Chicago rallied for three runs in the ninth, Valentin popped up with a runner on for the final out

Cleveland hung on for its fifth win in six games and moved past the White Sox for sec-ond place in the AL Central. Chicago lost for the 12th time in 15 games.

Angels 5, Royals 3: Second baseman Ruben Gotay's throwing error allowed the go-ahead runs to score, and Anaheim rallied

in the ninth inning again to beat the Royals. The Angels completed their first four-game sweep in Kansas City and extended their winning streak to five.

Athletics 8, Twins 2: Mark Kotsay and Scott Hatteberg each drove in two runs, and Rich Harden gave Oakland's bullpen a rest in a victory over homestanding Minnesota.

A day after each team used seven pitchers in Oakland's 18-inning victory, starters Hard-en and Kyle Lohse each pitched into the seventh. The A's took three of four from Minnesota in a matchup of AL division leaders.

Time: Marlins benefiting from trades

TIME. FROM BACK PAGE

"We can only blame our-selves," Conine said. "We played so poorly for quite a while. We let the Braves get ahead, and can't do anything about that now. We just have to put together as many victories as we can

One reason for Fish fans to be encouraged: Deals that brought in five players just before the trade deadline are already paying dividends. Guillermo Mota has provided welcome relief pitching, Ismael Valdez threw six shutouts innings in his first start, and catcher Paul Lo Duca - "Do Luca" to McKeon — is batting .500 with eight RBIs in 18 at-bats

"We're a much better club than we were before," McKeon said. Last season's manager of the

ear has been saddled for most of 2004 with a sputtering offense, an unreliable bullpen and a rotation



Left-hander Dontrelle Willis the 2003 NL Rookie of the Year. is only 8-8 with a 3.85 FRA this season for the Florida Marlins.

that failed to blossom as expect-

As a result, the Marlins rank 12th in the NL in runs and 10th in ERA. World Series MVP Josh Beckett and hard-throwing A.J. Burnett are a combined 6-12, and catcher Ivan Rodriguez — batting .343 with 67 RBIs for Detroit —

has been sorely missed. Nevertheless, Lo Duca said, the Marlins retain a championship

"There's something to be said for people who know how to win," he said. "You see certain guys go to different teams and keep winning, and I think that's what we have here. I really feel we're going to win here. These guys know what it takes to get it done."

Castilla double ruins Jones' debut in Philly

By ROR MAADI The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA -Jones' first appearance in Philadelphia ended with him getting booed off the mound. Vinny Castilla's tiebreaking,

two-run double off Jones with two outs in the eighth inning led the Colorado Rockies past the Phila-delphia Phillies 4-2 on Monday night

The Phillies fell six games behind NL East-leading Atlanta in their first home game since starting a 13-game road trip just a half-game back of the Braves. Philadelphia trails Chicago by 3½

games in the wild-card race "It's definitely not my dream Philly entrance," said Jones, who allowed three runs in the eighth in his worst outing since coming to the Phillies in a trade on July 30. "It's a good baseball town They expect a lot and I expect a lot. I've been around long enough to know when I stunk

Before the game, Philadelphia bolstered its ailing rotation, acquiring right-hander Cory Lidle from Cincinnati for two minor leaguers and a player to be named

But the Phillies also learned slugger Pat Burrell will have season-ending wrist surgery

Colorado, which has third-worst record in the NL, improved to 3-1 since trading outfielder Larry Walker to St. Louis. Castilla is second in the NL

with 94 RRIs

Jamey Wright gave up two runs and six hits in 6²/₃ innings in his fourth start since signing with the Rockies last month. Tim Harikkala (5-2) walked one batter in two-thirds of an inning. Steve Reed got two outs in the eighth inning and Shawn Chacon worked the ninth for his 27th save in 35 chances

Loss of Burrell a blow to **Phillies**

PHILADELPHIA - Phillies slugger Pat Burrell will have season-ending surgery on his wrist Friday, another blow to Philadelphia's playoff hopes.

Burrell, who injured himself in batting practice last Tuesday, was hitting .263 with 18 homers and 68 RBIs.



He'll be re-placed in left field by a comfierd ... bination or Glanville, Jason

Michaels and rookie Lou Collier. "It's terrible," Burrell said Mon day. "The timing is awful because we are playing good at this time. The guys are starting to come together in the last six days and things have been going pretty good. To not be a part of it is tough, but you have to deal with it, take care of the problem and hopefully be ready for spring training

The injury-plagued Phillies trail the NL East-leading Atlanta Braves by 6 games and are in the middle of the wild-card race.

Philadelphia also is minus closer Billy Wagner, starter Kevin Millwood and top setup reliever Ryan Madson. Third baseman David Bell is day-to-day with back spasms, and right-hander Vicente Padilla is due to return from the disabled list on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, General Manager Ed Wade bolstered Philadelphia's rotation, acquiring right-hander Cory Lidle from Cincinnati for two minor leaguers and a player to be named

Dodgers RHP Penny to miss turn in rotation LOS ANGELES - Dodgers

pitcher Brad Penny has a strained right biceps and is expected to miss one start after being forced to leave a weekend game because of pain in his arm. Making his second start after being acquired in a trade with

Florida, the right-hander left Sunday's game after throwing only 14 pitches against Philadelphia

An MRI exam Monday re-vealed there were neither tears nor structural damage in his arm, Los Angeles spokesman John Olguin said.

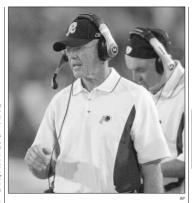
Tigers place Sanchez on DL DETROIT — Tigers outfielder

Alex Sanchez was placed on the 15-day disabled list Monday with a strained right thigh. Detroit also recalled outfielder Nook Logan from Triple-A Toledo, and he will the Tigers for the second time this season

A's Bradford has strained back MINNEAPOLIS - The Oak-

land Athletics placed right-handed reliever Chad Bradford on the 15-day disabled list Monday with a strained back

The A's filled Bradford's roster snot with right-hander Jairo Garcia from Triple-A Sacramento



Washington Redskins head coach loe Gibbs directs his team in the second quarter during the Pro Football Hall of Fame game against the Denver Broncos on Monday in Canton, Ohio.

Gibbs, Redskins pass first test vs. Broncos

BY BARRY WILNER The Associated Press

CANTON. Ohio - It was ex-

hausting and exhilarating. And it was fun

Joe Gibbs returned to NEL coaching Monday night, guiding the Washington Redskins to a 20-17 victory over the Denver Broncos in the Hall of Fame game. While hardly an artistic masterniece the win was significant to the coach who already is enshrined in Canton.

"It means a lot for me, because our guys worked extremely hard in the offseason and they went out and played extremely hard," Gibbs said. "And we had to overcome some adversity.

"We were kind of nervous and uptight. It meant a lot to us, probably more than to Denver. It's a tough deal over there, but it was fun being back.'

Gibbs' Redskins - it's been 12 years since anyone could call them that — won on a last-second, 39-yard field goal by backup Ola Kimrin. But Gibbs saw enough mistakes to fill an entire preseason

And then some Still, the Redskins marched efficiently to the winning kick behind third-string quarterback Tim Hasselbeck, offsetting a long night of general inefficiency.

"It's a learning process, and that's the best thing about it." Gibbs said. "It's a little different to be back in the heat of battle, like taking a mental test. You really struggle when you can't get things going."

The Broncos were even worse for most of the game, although that franchise's only Hall of Famer, John Elway, certainly couldn't complain. His weekend was made on Sunday, when he

Tackle Jansen out for season

The Associated Press

CANTON, Ohio - Washington Redskins right tackle Jon Jansen ruptured his left Achilles' tendon in the first quarter of a 20-17 exhibition victory over Denver in the Hall of Fame game on Monday night.

Jansen, a six-year player who has never missed an NFL start, was helped off the field by trainers and teammates and sat on the bench for several minutes, his hand covering his face. He then was carted off

The injury will sideline Jans en for the season.
"I've never missed a prac-

tice or a game," said Jansen, a first-round draft pick in 1999 who instantly became a start-"It's disappointing, especially with a new coaching staff and we have a lot of expectations and excitement.

was inducted into the shrine along with Barry Sanders, Carl Eller and Bob Brown.

Fourth-string quarterback Mike Quinn led Denver's 13-play, 58-yard drive that was capped by a 2-yard TD pass to Jeb Putzier and drew the Broncos to 17-15 Quinn hit Charlie Adams for the 2-point conversion to tie it.

Back came Washington, with a 35-yard pass from Hasselbeck to Darnerien McCants sparking the winning march. Backup kicker Kimrin didn't flinch on his attempt, and Gibbs was a winner

"It feels good to get us out of there a little earlier," Kimrin said with a laugh

Giants shaking up special teams, line

Giving second-round draft pick Chris Snee a starting job on the New York Giants' offensive line has been a move expected from new coach Tom Coughlin.

Having starters Tiki Barber and Amani Toomer as notential nunt returners



season opener against Kansas City was a switch almost no one anticinated. Coughlin hoth made

moves on Monday. shifting

David Diehl to right tackle and giving Snee, his son-in-law, the open spot at right guard. The change put Ian Allen, who started 11 games at right tackle last season, in a backup role and makes Snee a starter before Eli Manning, the first pick in last April's draft, who is trying to beat out veteran Kurt Warner at quarterback.

The move that seemed to catch the players off guard was the decision to waive return man Delvin Joyce, It left Barber and Toomer as the leading candidates to return punts on Friday against the Chiefs

Barber and Toomer were stunned.

"I was surprised they let Delvin go, but whatever it takes for this team to win. I'll do." said Barber, who was the Giants' punt returner from 1999-2001, returning one for a touchdown.

Toomer, who has had five straight 1,000-yard receiving seasons, chose his words carefully He began as a punt returner, re-turning three for TDs in two seasons. But he has had only nine regular-season returns since 1999

Rookie receiver Jamaar Taylor is a candidate to return punts, but the sixth-round draft pick is a question mark because he is coming back from reconstructive knee surgery. The shakeup on the offensive

line was not a surprise

Diehl, who started every game as a rookie at right guard, shared work with Allen at right tackle last week. That allowed Snee to get snaps at right guard.

"It's something I was prepared said Diehl, who played both tackle and guard in college at Illinois "It's something I have continued to work on the past year and half. Even last year, I took tackle reps so I would not get rustv

Dolphins: Miami linebacker Zach Thomas practiced for the first time since training camp opened. Thomas, who led the Dolphins in tackles seven of the past eight seasons, had surgery a month ago to repair torn cartilage in his left knee.

Receiver Derrius Thompson, safety Chris Akins (leg) and cornerbacks Patrick Surtain (groin) and Sam Madison (hamstring) sat out practice Monday njured receiver David Boston

had successful surgery to repair a torn tendon in his left knee, but he'll miss the entire season



Titans: A second opinion confirmed that linebacker Peter Sirmon will need season-ending surgery to repair his injured left knee. Sirmon, the starter for the Titans at left outside linebacker the past two seasons, burt his knee during a non-contact drill a week ago.

Chargers: The Chargers broke off talks with unsigned quarterback Philip Rivers

Rivers, chosen by the Giants with the No. 4 pick in the draft, was acquired by the Chargers in the deal that sent quarterback Eli Manning to New York.

"This is very disappointing and unfortunate," Chargers General Manager A.J. Smith said Mon-We wanted to get him signed before the reporting date, we made an effort. We tried, and we couldn't come to an agree-ment. He had an offer until 5 p.m. Sunday. That was rejected and now the offer is off the table. It will only go down from here."

Smith said the Chargers' proposal wasn't a slot offer and exceeds the deals for Robert Gal-lery and Larry Fitzgerald, who were selected with the second and third overall picks.

Panthers: The Carolina Pan-thers' unsettled offensive line took another hit Monday when projected starting right tackle Adam Meadows abruptly retired.

The 30-year-old signed a five-year, \$15 million contract with the Panthers as a free agent March 9, but was kept out of most of training camp by persistent shoulder problems. The team encouraged Meadows to undergo treatment for arthritis in the shoulder, but Meadows decided

Meadows, who spent his first eight seasons with Indianapolis, agreed to nay back his entire \$2.5 million signing bonus, general manager Marty Hurney said.

to call it quits.

Cowboys: Keyshawn Johnson was late returning to the Cowboys camp in Oxnard, Calif., after some time off.

Coach Bill Parcells said Monday that only one player was late in returning, but wouldn't say reporters, just like he had to the coaches

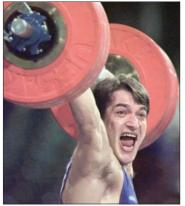
Johnson said he expected to be fined about \$7,500. He was about 15 minutes late after spending the day in nearby Santa Barbara, where his kids took part in a bas-ketball camp with Michael Jordan.

Jaguars: Wide receiver Jimmy Smith missed practice Monday with a minor back injury that coach Jack Del Rio said was a strain or an ache.

Smith caught 54 passes for 805 vards and four touchdowns last season despite serving four-game suspension for violating the league's substance-abuse

policy.

Defensive end Tony Brackens will likely miss the rest of this week's practice due to a strained muscle behind his right knee.



Pyrros Dimas of Greece, shown setting a world record of 83 kilograms in the snatch portion of the 1996 Olympic weightlifting competition, is a superstar in his adopted homeland as the Olympics come to Athens.

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Muscled shoulders carry Greek hopes

Dimas, Kakiasvilis give hosts a strong 1-2 punch; Cunningham returns to defend surprise 2000 gold

BY ALAN ROBINSON The Associated Press

The Super Bowl is a certain TV ratings generator in the United States. In England, World Cup soccer does the trick. In Greece there's Pyrros Dimas and Kakhi Kakiasvilis.

They may be virtually un-known to all but the most devout of Olympic watchers in America, but in their adopted homeland Dimas and Kakiasvilis as-real-as-it-gets reality TV

When they each compete for a fourth Olympic gold medal in Athens this summer, records are likely to be broken, and not just on the lifting platform.

Just how big are the two in Greek culture - even if, for the moment, they're not as big as Greece's surprise European soccer champions? Greeks simply refer to Dimas with the one-word identifier Pyrros, much as Americans do with Tiger or Shaq. When he and Kakiasvilis lift during an Olympics, it's not just sports fans who watch but virtually the entire

Dimas' 1992 gold medal in Barcelona caused such joy in Greece that 60,000 fans later jammed the original Olympic stadium to celebrate and another 30,000 mingled outside. When Dimas and Kakiasvilis both won gold in Atlanta four years later, after Kakiasvilis had emigrated from Tsinvali. Georgia, the TV ratings were the second highest in Greek history despite starting times past midnight local time

Want to guess the magnitude of the celebration should Dimas, Kakiasvilis or both Kakasvilis or both win record-tying fourth gold medals on their home soil? To date, only three athletes have won four golds in an individual Olympic

There's just one problem, and it worries every Greek sports fan as the Olympics approach: There could be rust on that gold Despite promising in Sydney

that he wouldn't do so, Dimas (a native of Chimarra, Albania) spent most of the past four years out of competition.

He returned to finish a disap pointing fourth at 187 pounds (85 kg) in the European championships in April, just as Kakiasvilis did at 207 pounds (94 kg).

Both looked plenty strong enough but understandably struggled with their technique following long layoffs; after Sydney, Kakiasvilis didn't compete until failing to place in the 2003 European championships.

There's some precedence here too, and it doesn't offer much room for optimism for either weightlifter.

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nothing for me. 77 Shane Hamman U.S. super heavyweight

Naim Suleymanoglu, the Turkish star known as Pocket Hercules, tried to win a fourth gold medal in Sydney following a three-year layoff but didn't complete a single lift. Turkey's disappointment was soothed by the equally small and equally strong Halil Mutlu's second gold. Now, the 4-foot-11 Mutlu will go for a third straight gold that would tie him with Pocket Hercules, this at Suleymanoglu's old weight (137 pounds, 62 kg).

Also looking to make the record books is German super heavyweight Ronny Weller, who can be come the first weightlifter to win five Olympic medals - so far, he has a gold, two silvers and a bronze. But Weller also looked rusty while failing to place in the European championships and, at age 35, he competes in the same class as returning gold medalist Hossein Rezazadeh, the world's top lifter the past couple of years.

No American man has won an weightlifting medal Olympic since 4-foot-10 gold medalist Charles Vinci in 1960, and it will be a surprise if any of the three on this year's team do so.

Super heavyweight Shane Hamman is a training companion of Greco-Roman wrestling champion Rulon Gardner and holds every U.S. record, but has yet to close the considerable gap with the elite lifters. His best two-lift total of 9401/2 pounds is nearly 100 pounds below Rezazadeh's best.

"But I'm going to load up the weight and I'm going to try it, the 345-pound Hamman said. "I think I do have the ability to be in medals and, honestly, I do believe I'm there. ... I'm not looking at finishing fifth or something here again. It's going to be all or nothing for me

hopes probably are the same as in 2000: returning 1051/2-pound gold medalist Tara Cunningham and super heavyweight Cheryl Ann Haworth, who took home a

bronze from Sydney at age 17 Cunningham, known as Tara Nott before she got married, had never finished above against world-class competition until her surprising second in Sydnev. A bigger surprise came three days later when Isabela Dragneva of Bulgaria failed a drug test and lost her gold medal which then went to Cunningham. It was one of three such failed tests for the Bulgarian team, which was briefly thrown out of the Games until being reinstated

on appeal. The 32-year-old Cunningham hasn't been a big player on the world stage since Sydney, placing seventh in the past two world championships. But she decided to hold off retirement until after Athens, saying, "I feel blessed to be able to do this, and I felt led to try to do this."

Haworth sat out last year's world championships following elbow surgery but was fourth in 2002 at age 19.

Just as in Sydney, the Chinese women expect to dominate. They won the maximum four events they were permitted to enter in 2000 and probably could have gone 7-for-7. Again, their biggest problem may be deciding which three potential Olympic champi-



Tara Cunningham returns to defend the gold medal she won at 1051/2 pounds four years ago.

Bryant's accuser files civil suit higher standard of proof to convict - be-

vond a reasonable doubt - and punish-

ment can involve prison time. A civil

By DON MITCHELL

The Associated Press

DENVER - The 20-year-old woman accusing Kobe Bryant of rape filed a federal lawsuit against the NBA star Tuesday, seeking unspecified damages for pain, suffering and "public scorn, hatred and ridicule" she has suffered as a result of the alleged attack.

The attorneys asked for a jury trial and compensatory damages of at least \$75,000, with punitive damages to be determined later.

With the filing, the woman's attor-nevs backed up a threat they made a week ago. A criminal case requires a case has a lower standard of proof - a preponderance of evidence - and punishment is usually a monetary award. Bryant 25, has pleaded not guilty to

felony sexual assault. He has said he had consensual sex with the woman, then 19, at the Vail-area resort where she worked last summer. The Los Angeles Lakers star faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation, and a fine of up to \$750,000 if convicted. Jury selection begins Aug. 27.

"The conduct of defendant Bryant demonstrates willful, reckless and intenwant of care that raises a conscious indifference to consequences," the attor-

Bryant's defense attorney, Pamela Mackey, did not immediately return a message seeking comment and neither did the woman's attorneys, John Clune and L. Lin Wood. All attorneys in the case were reminded by the judge last week that a sweeping gag order is in place.

Prosecution spokeswoman Krista Flannigan said the civil lawsuit changes

nothing for the criminal trial. "We are still moving forward," she said. She declined comment when asked whether the civil case could complicate the effort to win a conviction

Houston signs PGs Ward, Sura

HOUSTON - The Houston Rockets addressed their point guard problems on Monday with the signings of free agents Charlie Ward and Bob Sura.



Terms of their contracts were not released by the team.
The veterans will compete for playing time with recently

acquired guard Tyronn Lue. The Rockets are in need of a point guard after Steve Francis was traded to the Orlando Magic in a seven-player deal that sent two-time league scoring champ Tracy McGrady to Houston.

Starting shooting guard Cuttino Mobley was also dealt to the Magic, though McGrady will take over there.

Ward, a 10-year NBA veteran, spent most of his career with the New York Knicks. He will be reunited with Rockets coach Jeff Van Gundy, who led the Knicks from 1995 to 2001.

Sura, a nine-year veteran who can play either guard spot, started his career with Cleveland, before moving to Golden State, Detroit and Atlanta.

Hudson re-signs with Timberwolves

MINNEAPOLIS - The Minnesota Timberwolves re-signed point guard Troy Hudson on Monday, a month after the two sides agreed to terms on a contract worth up to \$37 million over six years

Complicated provisions in the deal regarding Hudson's health - he missed the playoffs and all but 29 regular-season games with a sprained ankle - were the source of the holdup.

The first four years of the deal are guaranteed, and the fifth is dependent on Hudson playing 65 games in any of the four years. The sixth year is dependent on Hudson reaching incentives.

Lawyers lash out at judge's new gag order

BY JUDITH KOHLER

DENVER - Lawyers for the woman accusing Kobe Bryant of rape said even Timothy Oklahoma City bomber McVeigh was treated more fairly than she was, and have accused the judge of trying to protect himself by imposing an unconstitutional gag order

In a court filing released Monday, John Clune and L. Lin Wood said their client was "devastated" by some of the NBA star's evidence that was mistakenly released by the court.

The lawyers said District Judge Terry Ruckriegle's gag order - expand-

ed last week after they appeared on national television on Aug. 5 - means that "only the rapist's version of events will be disseminated to the media.

"Even Timothy McVeigh had a right to speak. No less right belongs to a rape victim," the attorneys wrote.

The courts said McVeigh, executed in June 2001 for the Oklahoma City bombing, could speak with the media to counter negative publicity about him, Clune and Wood wrote in their filing.

To prevent future mistakes, lawyers on both sides had asked Ruckriegle to stop posting case filings on the court's Web site but Ruckriegle rejected that motion Monday

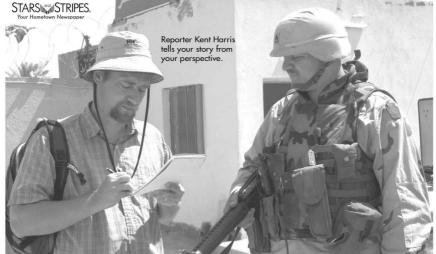
In both instances, the release of material from closed-door, pretrial hearings is the core issue. In their scathing mo tion, Clune and Wood said the expanded gag order lets stand the "devastating one-sided account" from closed hearings into whether the alleged victim's sexual history should be entered as evi-

Clune and a prosecution spokeswoman declined comment.

Transcripts accidentally e-mailed to seven media outlets focused primarily on a defense expert's opinion that the woman had sex with someone after Bryant and before her hospital exam, and a defense claim that she is pursuing the case for monetary

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Time running out for Marlins encore

Poor play, tough schedule stack odds against defending World Series champs

BY STEVEN WINE

The Associated Press

efore the Florida Marlins' most recent game, Jack McKeon and Jeff Conine crossed paths in the locker room and greeted each other wrongly but warmly.

"Hey, Jim," McKeon said "Hi, Bill," Conine replied.

In his second season as the Marlins' manager, the 73-year-old McKeon still mangles the names of his players, sometimes intentionally and always to their amusement. Thanks in large part to his Stengelesque personality and "let's have fun" philosophy, the Florida clubhouse again ranks as perhaps the merriest in baseball.

But in the standings, the defending World Series champions aren't doing so well. With a 55-55

Jack McKeon was chosen manager of the year last season after guiding the Marlins to a World Series championship. This season, the Marlins (55-55) are 51/2 games back in the NL wild-card race

first-place Atlanta in the NL East, and 51/2 back in the wild-card race, trailing four teams.

"I wouldn't say our backs are against the wall," center fielder Juan Pierre said. "But they're pretty close to it."

After failing to take advantage of a soft stretch in the schedule. Florida next plays three games against the St. Louis Cardinals, who own the best

against the St. Doils Cartinians, who own the best record in the major leagues.

"That's good," McKeon said. "We like to see them when they come in hot. They're due to cool off Hopefully it'll be bere."

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The Marlins want to believe the stage is set for another improbable title run. Last year they came from behind in the wild-card race and closed with a 32-14 spurt, postseason included.

But their deficit's more daunting this time. On Aug. 10, 2003, the Marlins were tied for the wild-card lead. Now they need a 36-16 finish to match last year's 91-71 record.
"We're very upbeat," pitcher Dontrelle Willis said. "It can come down to the last week, so any-

thing's possible, especially in this locker room. We definitely know how to come from behind, so we're definitely going to claw our way back until they say we can't do it anymore."

It helps that the Marlins have games remaining

against all of the teams they're chasing in the wild-card race. They play Philadelphia, San Francisco, San Diego and the Chicago Cubs a total of 19

They also have six games left against Atlan ta, but the Braves surged ahead in the division by winning 31 of their past 40

During the same stretch the Marlins struggled against the NL's last-place teams, losing 11 in a row to Arizona, Montre al and Pittsburgh over the span of a month.

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The Florida Marlins are hurting from the loss of free agent Ivan Rodriguez in the offseason, but catcher Paul Lo Duca, above, has hit .500 with eight RBIs in 18 at-bats since being acquired from the Los Angeles Dodgers just hefore the trade deadline

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